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Hackney: A Place for Everyone



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JOIN THE DEBATE

RESENTERS are being encouraged to take part in a 'Question Time' style debate about the future of the borough, which will feature a panel of local experts.

The event on 18 March will give people the chance to air their views and ask questions about the challenges that Hackney faces over the coming years.

It is being held to launch a major year-long resident engagement programme, during which the Council aims to talk to thousands of people about their experience of the rapid social and economic changes that have affected the

borough in recent times.

The panel will be chaired by Guardian journalist and long-time Hackney resident Dave Hill. He will be joined by resident and Open University academic Melissa Butcher, who has worked closely with young people in Hackney to research their sense of place, identity and belonging using film and theatre; barrister Tunde Okewale, who was brought up in Hackney and took part in the commission that examined the 2011 riots; resident and policy maker Robbie de Santos, who is a trustee of Generation Rent, a campaigning organisation representing private tenants; and

the Mayor of Hackney, Jules Pipe.

Mayor Pipe said: "So much has changed in Hackney in recent years. We want to give local people the chance to share their thoughts and feelings about the change, and this debate is just the start of that."

"Much of the change has been positive, but Hackney faces many challenges: an affordable housing crisis, a growing population, and massive central government cuts to local public service budgets. This is the beginning of a big conversation with residents about how we tackle all of that."

Panel chair, Dave Hill, added: "I have lived in Hackney for

many years and all my children have been to Hackney schools. I think many people, like me, care very much about the future of this place, and I think this is a debate that is long overdue. I hope that lots of people will want to join us for what promises to be a very interesting debate."

The event, which will be held at the City Academy, Homerton, from 7-8.30pm on 18 March, is open to all residents, although numbers are limited to 200.

To book, visit: <http://hackneydebate.eventbrite.co.uk> Those wishing to ask a question, will be asked to register it when booking a place.

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Cabinet Member for Housing, said: "A generation of people in this country are being priced out of the property market, and forced into private rented accommodation."

"Children and families are being uprooted every six months by insecure tenancies and beyond-inflation rent increases. There is now a clearer case than ever for fundamental reform of the private rented sector, to allow individuals and families to make secure homes for themselves."

"Everyone in Hackney and across the country deserves to live in good quality accommodation, and while the Council does what it can locally within existing legislation, we are calling on the next government to take these steps to help improve conditions both for tenants and for landlords."

Since 2011, private rents in Hackney have risen by 21 per cent, outstripping inflation. The annual income needed to afford the average rent for a one bedroom home in the borough is now £42,937.

A review by The Living in Hackney Scrutiny Commission found that the number of privately renting households has doubled in Hackney in the past decade.

Private renters campaign group Digs presented the commission with a report of evidence collected from Hackney tenants.

One renter told of a letting agent revaluing a home in Hackney Wick with a 50 per cent rent increase. Another said: "We spend 50 per cent of our income on rent. We plan to stay here until the summer, when I will leave my teaching job and move somewhere cheaper."

To sign the petition, visit: bit.ly/rent-reform

There is now a clearer case than ever for reform of the private rented sector

THE Council is calling on the next government to reform the private-rented housing system to improve standards and reign in rogue landlords, rent hikes and letting agency fees, and protect struggling families.

It has laid out a 10-point plan which would be of great benefit to the millions of private renters across the country. An online petition has also been launched for residents to sign, which will be presented to the new government after the General Election in May.

The 10 recommendations are: inflation-capped rent rises to ensure greater security for tenants; longer tenancies; stopping retaliatory evictions; fast-tracking licensing schemes, by cutting red tape for councils; exploring further incentives for responsible landlords; creating a national quality kitemark; establishing a public

register of landlords and properties; a national ban on rogue landlords; costs transparency, making it mandatory for landlords to publish related costs of a property, such as utility bills; and improving safety, including mandatory installation of fire and carbon monoxide detectors and annual electrical tests.

Cllr Philip Glanville,

Case study: Windowless studio flat for £900 a month



ON 10 February, Cllr Glanville accompanied Council officers investigating conditions in a privately-rented flat off Chatsworth Road.

The windowless studio flat (pictured), for which £900 a month rent was being paid, was found to fail minimum space standards, as well as

breaching electrical and fire safety regulations.

Following the visit, the landlord is now working with the Council to improve the conditions.

If you know of a property that may need inspection, call: 020 8356 4866; or e-mail: privatesectorhousing@hackney.gov.uk

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New 20mph speed limit on all roads

Grace Baldock-Carty, seven, Cllr Feryal Demirci, and Jordon Olarewaju, nine, at Orchard Primary School, E9, launch a new 20mph speed limit for all of Hackney's roads. The Council hopes to improve safety when it brings in the speed restrictions later this year

HACKNEY is preparing to roll out a 20 mph speed limit on all its main roads.

Following the introduction of 20mph limits on residential roads in 2008, traffic accidents plummeted by up to 50 per cent. Now the Council hopes to further improve safety by extending the speed restrictions to its main road network later this year.

Cllr Feryal Demirci, Cabinet Member for Neighbourhoods, said: "As London's top walking and cycling borough this 20mph roll-out makes sense. Lower

“Lower speeds will see a calmer and safer environment, and we hope to have more walking and playing outside”

speeds will see a calmer and safer environment, and we hope to have more walking and playing outside, which in turn will have a positive impact on health and community.

"Speed limits and 20mph zones have already cut casualties on our residential streets but we can always do more to prevent accidents and improve the quality of life for our residents."

Research shows that people hit by cars travelling at 35mph have

a 50 per cent chance of survival, those struck at 30mph have an 80 per cent chance, but the survival rate jumps to 97 per cent when hit at 20mph.

Tom Platt, London Policy Manager for pedestrian charity Living Streets, said: "Hackney's roll-out of 20mph is good news for everyone who lives, works or visits the borough.

"Councils across London are now recognising that lower speed limits



significantly improve the quality of our streets, reducing road danger and creating more inviting places to walk and spend time."

The limit will not apply to Ruckholt Road or any Transport for London red routes which make up around 8.5 per cent of the borough's road network.

Signs and road markings will be used to alert motorists to the new limit. Enforcement will be carried out by the police.

There will be a statutory consultation on the 20mph roll-out launched on 9 March. Representations should be sent to the Assistant Director (Public Realm) at the address below by 30 March.

MORE INFO

To view proposal documents, visit Keltan House, 89-115 Mare Street, E8 4RU. For more info, call: 020 8356 2897

KEY FACT

Research shows that people hit by cars travelling at 20mph have a 97 per cent chance of survival

News in brief

Man arrested for inciting racial hatred in Stamford Hill

A MAN said to be planning to hold an anti-Semitic rally in Stamford Hill has been arrested on suspicion of inciting racial hatred.

The 22-year-old, from Yeovil in Somerset, was detained by police on 13 February after allegedly trying to organise a march to 'liberate' Stamford Hill.

He was also questioned on suspicion of racially aggravated harassment and malicious communications, said to be towards a Jewish MP. The man was released on bail until the end of March.

Deputy Mayor of Hackney, Cllr Sophie Linden, said: "We are proud of the rich and diverse communities that have made Hackney their home. Anti-Semitism is unacceptable and has no place in our borough."

Chair of The North London Muslim Community Centre (NLMCC), Mohammed Munaf Zeena, added: "The NLMCC expresses its unreserved solidarity with the Jewish community over this unjustifiable provocation.



We and Hackney's Muslim community and organisations will stand shoulder-to-shoulder with our Jewish neighbours and friends to ensure that their faith, religious, ethnic, cultural and social identity remains protected and respected."

Man given Hackney's first Criminal Behaviour Order

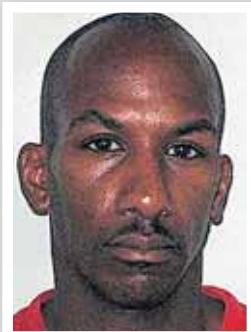
A MAN who targeted vulnerable residents and took over their homes has been given Hackney's first Criminal Behaviour Order (CBO).

Desmond Rodney, 38, from Dalston, had preyed on a number of Hackney Homes and housing association tenants over the past five years. He would befriend them and abuse that relationship by taking over their homes, using it as his own.

The Council worked with the housing associations involved to obtain the evidence necessary to remove him from the properties indefinitely.

On 3 February, Desmond appeared at Snaresbrook Crown Court for breaching an Anti-Social Behaviour Order that had been in place since 2012. He had entered a part of the borough he was banned from and was also charged with possession of Class A drugs. The Council and police went on to apply for a CBO to prevent him entering any residential property in Hackney other than an address specified in the order.

Deputy Mayor, Cllr Sophie Linden, said: "If anyone is approached by or feels threatened by Desmond they should contact the police or Council wardens."



feature



1. Snowdrops at the East and West Bank Nature Reserve; 2. Kate Griffin, Stefan Znotti-Wallgren, John Yeudall, Lorraine Tillett and Grace Znotti-Wallgren, from the East and West Bank User Group; 3. Trees on the site; 4. Stamford Hill station in past times; 5. The nature reserve flanks the Liverpool Street to Enfield railway line

Nature spot is a rail gem

Volunteers have turned a dumping ground into a valuable haven for wildlife

DID you know that Hackney harbours a magnificent secret garden?

Tucked away in Stamford Hill is a little-known green gem punching above its weight biodiversity-wise.

The East and West Bank Nature Reserve, between Dunsmure Road and Stamford Hill, flanks just 2,000m of the Liverpool Street to Enfield train line, but it is hugely significant.

The railway cutting, which is jointly owned by Network Rail and the Council, is home to about 40 species of birds, including tawny owls, peregrine falcons, nightingales and greater

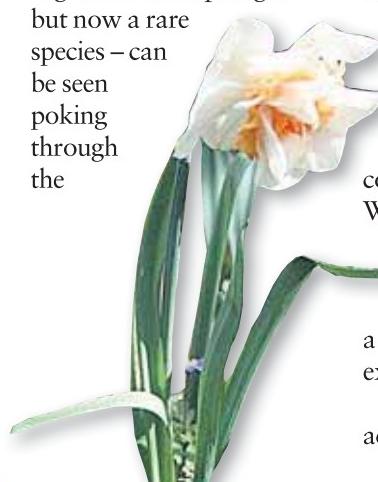
spotted woodpeckers, and 70 species of plants and flowers. Incredibly, between five and 10 per cent of all the borough's mature trees grow along this tiny strip and, in parts, Good King Henry – once a common vegetable like asparagus but now a rare species – can be seen poking through the

undergrowth. The reserve has been designated a Site of Importance for Nature Conservation since 2002.

John Yeudall, co-founder of the East and West Bank User Group, said: "It is a valuable green lung for the local community and a bird nature reserve of exceptional importance."

It is an incredible achievement, considering a

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"We turned a rubbish dump into a bird reserve," said member Kate Griffin. Adding: "Residents now have a soundtrack to their lives, sometimes so loud you can hardly believe it's real birds and not a high-volume recording."

The group, helped by about 50 residents on their mailing list, continues to play guardian to the land, planting native trees and shrubs and bidding for funding, including a recent grant from the Council.

The site is generally closed to the public because of its proximity to a working railway line, but the group holds monthly activity days, usually on the first Sunday

of the month, which allow visitors to get a glimpse inside this green oasis.

John adds: "We also organise annual tree and bird walks, led by experts, and these normally attract a big crowd."

The group is always looking for more volunteers to help plant, water and build owl, hedgehog and insect homes, put up notices and clear rubbish.

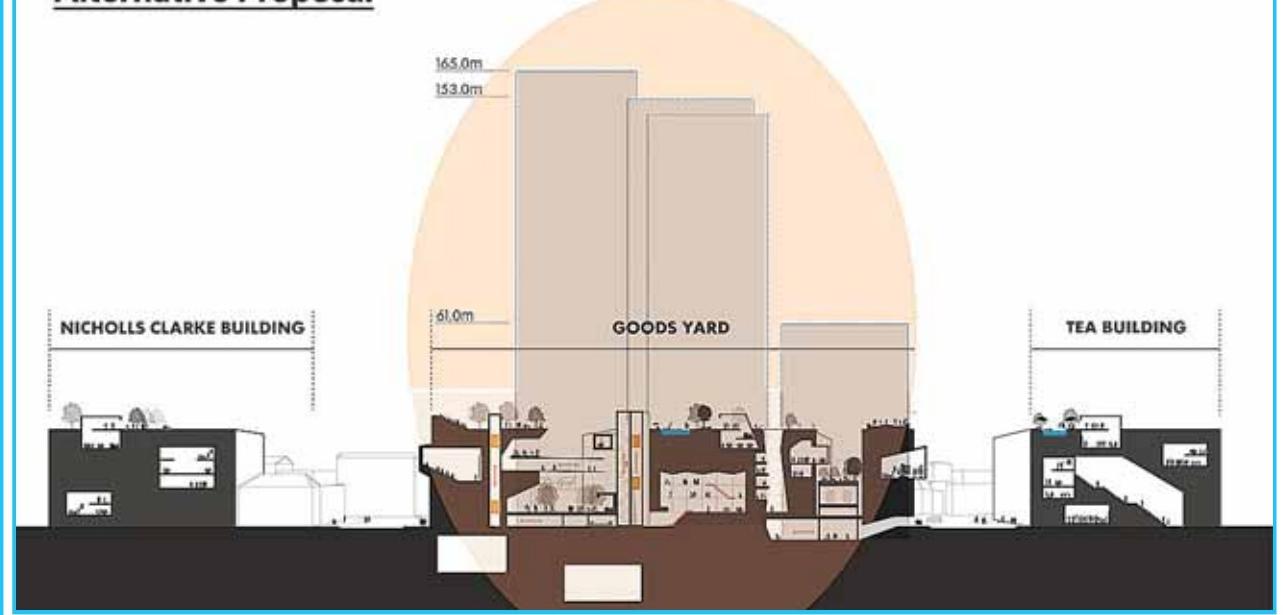
MORE INFO

 Those interested in getting involved can call John on: 020 8800 8209; or e-mail: eastwestbankreserve@gmail.com

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Bishopsgate Goods Yard: Alternative Proposal



Hammerson's proposal for Bishopsgate Goods Yard (sketched out in light brown) and the Council's low-rise alternative proposal (in dark brown)

Bishopsgate proposal

ACAMPAIGN has been launched against a 48-storey luxury development, which threatens to plunge parts of Shoreditch into darkness.

It is feared that a proposal for Bishopsgate Goods Yard, put forward by property developers Hammerson, threatens the unique character of the historic area. The two high rise towers will be nearly the same height as One Canada Square at Canary Wharf.

The Mayor of Hackney, Jules Pipe, is concerned that the height will have a detrimental effect on local tech businesses and the

“The repercussions of this development could... lead to the fragmentation of the local cluster of design and tech firms”

character of the area.

Mayor Pipe said: “These towers are completely out of scale for Shoreditch. These luxury flats, which are well beyond the reach of ordinary Londoners, will cast a shadow over the whole of Tech City, and threaten to damage the local, creative economy.”

The Council has worked with a local firm of architects to produce an

alternative, viable scheme which would be more in keeping with the area and provide much needed employment space.

The Mayor of London has indicated that he supports Hammerson's original plans so he may well intervene in the matter.

Mayor Pipe added: “The repercussions of this development could be so severe that they lead to the

fragmentation of the local cluster of design and tech firms, leading to the loss of thousands of local jobs, and damage to London's reputation as a global leader in these industries.

“I've written to businesses and residents throughout Tech City to alert them to these plans and to urge them to write to the Mayor of London, asking him to withdraw his support for these damaging plans.”

MORE INFO

For more info, or to sign the petition, visit: bit.ly/bishopsgate-petition



The Run Hackney 5K is set to return on 9 May with 2,000 free spaces

2,000 free places in Run Hackney 5K up for grabs

IF the idea of a marathon makes you want to run away rather than run for miles, then a shorter, five kilometre race might be what you need.

The Run Hackney 5K is returning this year on 9 May with 2,000 free places up for grabs. It has been designed for new runners, and features a flat

route and fun atmosphere, starting and finishing on Hackney Marshes.

The race will kick start a weekend of running in the borough, with the Run Hackney half marathon, Schools' Challenge and Company Challenge all taking place the following day, on 10 May.

Pioneered by the

Council, and sponsored by Vitality, the events aims to bring the community together and encourage people to exercise their way towards a healthier lifestyle.

Cllr Jonathan McShane, Cabinet Member for Health, Social Care and Culture, said: “We are delighted to be offering

the free Run Hackney 5K to the borough for the second time. We hope that some of this year's 5K runners might even think about signing up for next year's half marathon.”

Registration for the event opens at 9am on 23 February. For more info, or to register, visit: www.runhackney.com

News in brief

Pop-up choir for the vulnerable receives a £10K lottery grant

A POP-UP choir that welcomes marginalised people has been awarded a Big Lottery grant of £10,000.

Rev Niall Weir, Rector of St Paul's West Hackney, founded the Cantignorus Chorus in 2013 in order to bring together the community and various charities that use the church hall during the week. Groups include North London Action for the Homeless, Narcotics Anonymous, and the Open Doors charity for vulnerable women.

Rev Weir said: “I'm so pleased that we've got another opportunity to bring this remarkable group of people back together for more music-making. What better way to get us out of our small corners and into the wonderful, wider world that we are so fortunate to have here in Hackney?” Over 120 people joined the choir in 2013, including homeless men and women, recovering drug addicts and the elderly or isolated. They ultimately recorded and released a single, ‘Holding Out A Helping Hand’.

Choir member Heather Richardson said: “This is one of the best things I have done for a while, reminding me of who and what is most important and valuable in the community in which I live.”

The latest grant enabled the choir to reform on 4 February. Rev Weir aims to rehearse a new song, ‘It's My Life’ for seven weeks before recording it in March, and releasing it in order to raise money for the charities and organisations represented in the chorus.



Photo: Helena Smith

Cantignorus Chorus has been awarded £10K from the lottery

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Below are just some of the objects on display as part of the Hackney@50 exhibition

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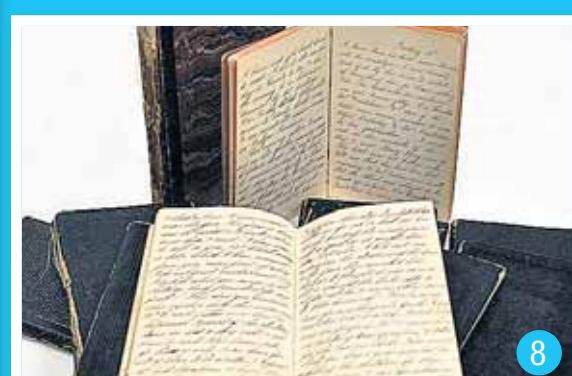
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1. Rock against Racism poster for an open-air music festival in Victoria Park, 1976; 2. The Rio presents badge, 1980-1985;

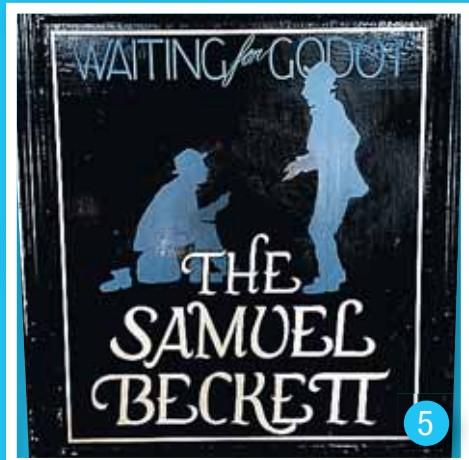


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3. Brass tiffin brought to London from India in 1946; 4. Keep the Hackney Empire Open badge, 1986; 5. The Samuel Beckett pub sign, late 1980s; 6. Hackney changes map by illustrator Jane Smith; 7. Nautilus fossil found in Stoke Newington; 8. Diaries by Victorian teenager; 9. Wooden Thai elephant



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Celebrate Hackney at 50

AVICTORIAN teenager's diary and an ancient fossil excavated in Stoke Newington are just two of the fascinating items in a new exhibition called 'Hackney@50: The People's Choice'.

In 1965, the London boroughs of Hackney, Shoreditch and Stoke Newington were merged to form the Hackney we know today. In April, the borough will be 50 years-old and, to mark this milestone, 50 objects illustrating 50 stories are now on display at Hackney Museum, as part of a conversation.

Fifty local individuals, organisations, groups and schools from across the

borough have selected an object – either from the museum's collection or lent their own – to offer an insight into what Hackney means to them.

The diaries of a Victorian teenager tells the story of 16-year-old Lizzie Hudson who lived in Dalston between 1871 and 1879. Her words give visitors to the exhibition a fascinating glimpse into what being a young woman in Hackney in the 1870s was like.

An old pub sign, from The Samuel Beckett, which existed in the late 1980s and early 1990s in Stoke Newington, is also on display. The pub was famous as a live music venue for punk bands.

“It is a fascinating glimpse into Hackney’s past through myriad objects that have significance to the people who chose them”



The Stoke Newington Peace Quilt, 1985

Other objects include a brass tiffin brought to Hackney from India in

1946; a 'peace quilt', made in 1985 reflecting anxieties about the Cold War; and

a Thai wooden elephant that has lived in Yum Yum Thai restaurant in Stoke Newington since 1992.

Restaurant proprietor Atique Choudhury chose this exhibit. He said: "This elephant comes from Chiang Mai in Thailand but has been in our restaurant since 1992. Children used to play on its back then and now they've all grown up and bring their own children here."

Cllr Jonathan McShane, Cabinet Member for Health, Social Care and Culture, added: "This charming exhibition tells the story of Hackney at 50 from the perspective of the people who live, work and go to school here."

"It is a fascinating glimpse into Hackney's past through myriad objects that all have significance to the people who chose them. We want everyone to get involved with the exhibition by telling us what item they'd choose to reflect what Hackney means to them."

Hackney Museum wants residents to 'join the conversation' by visiting the exhibition and suggesting an object they would put on display, or tweet ideas using #Hackney50.

MORE INFO

Search Hackney Museum's collection online: www.hackney.gov.uk/museum

feature



1. Cycling Club Hackney's London Youth Games team; 2. Alex Peters (right) with team member; 3. Tao Geoghegan-Hart; 4&5. Hackney Primary Schools Cycling League. The club promotes cycling for all abilities and ages

The great Hackney bike off

Cycling Club Hackney is made up of people from all ages and backgrounds

CYCLING Club Hackney was born on 28 November 2007; four months after the world's greatest bicycle race, the Tour de France, set off from London's Hyde Park.

It was no coincidence. The sight of 200 professional riders speeding along the streets of his home city had caught the imagination of Council youth worker Keir Apperley.

"I thought some of Hackney's youngsters could benefit from getting out of town on regular training rides, just like I did whilst growing up in Hackney during the 1980s," said Keir.

"At first I was considering referring our young cyclists to a club in Walthamstow, but it occurred to me: why not

create a cycling club for Hackney?"

Seven years later and Cycling Club Hackney boasts some 250 members, both young people and adults, with Keir as its manager and head coach.

Members' achievements include winning medals at the London Youth Games; an adult team win in French four-day stage race, The Tour l'Ain; and having two of the club's young riders, Alex Peters and Tao Geoghegan-Hart, snapped up by professional teams.

"Alex and Tao have both been winners of a Hackney Sports Award," says Keir. "Their success encourages and inspires our next crop of riders to aim high as well."

A steady influx of young riders has allowed the club to thrive over the years, with waves of

Hackney is a recognised national hotspot for cycling... people are looking to do more on two wheels

interest peaking following the opening of Lee Valley VeloPark, inside Queen Elizabeth Olympic Park, and after the Tour de France passed through the borough last year.

Keir says: "Hackney is a recognised national hotspot for cycling, so it's no surprise that people are looking to do more on two wheels.

"Membership is

made up of people from diverse backgrounds and professions who are proud to wear the club colours and promote Hackney as a place where cycling is valued highly."

The club and Council have worked together since 2008, when Keir began managing the borough cycling team for the London Youth Games.

The legacy of that commitment can be seen in the success of collaborations, including with the ever popular Hackney Primary Schools Cycling League.

So what does the future hold? Since last year the club is targeting, with financial help from the Council, more would-be riders who might not otherwise access the sport.

"Cycle sport in the UK has become something

of an elite pastime, but it does not have to be," says Keir, who would like to see more Hackney's businesses getting involved by sponsoring 'local bike champions'.

Adding: "The club is looking to support new young riders from hard-pressed backgrounds to realise their ambitions to do more cycling, be it sports, commuting or riding for leisure."

The club meets at Olympus Square, Nightingale Estate, Clapton, every Sunday from 8am. The youth group meets on Saturdays at 9.30am.

MORE INFO

For more info, or to sponsor the club, visit: www.cyclingclubhackney.co.uk



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The Council offers free cycle training for people who live, work or study in Hackney

DID YOU KNOW?

The (literal) ups and downs of learning how to ride a bike

By Dila Tumer

"WHAT? You don't know how to ride a bike?" Unfortunately, I have grown very accustomed to hearing this question; it's as if everyone in Hackney was born a cyclist except me.

Truth be told, before 7 February I didn't care for it much either.

'What's the point?' I always asked myself. 'A bus is just as good as a bike, maybe even better.' Boy, was I wrong.

My editor wanted me to try something new

and suggested I attend one of the Council's free cycle training sessions. I was very pleased to see that a variety of lessons, both on and off roads, are offered for a range of levels – including complete beginner.

When I first arrived at Hackney Downs Park and met David, my instructor, I felt relieved – he is one of the nicest and most patient people I have met.

Before I actually made contact with the bike we went through some quick checks: what to wear when on a bike, what to look out for, and how to

use the brakes. He also asked me about my long-

term and short-term goals for cycling.

I told him that by the end of the lesson I would like to be able to ride a bike, to get on and off. My long-term goal is to eventually commute by bike, going to and from school.

David first showed me how

to get on and off. Now, I know this sounds simple, but it's more technical than it sounds.

I had to hold down the brakes, lower the bike and get on, using my other leg to balance so that I didn't fall.

Once I had mastered the art of getting on and off the bike, it was time to practise my balancing skills.

I was worried that I would hurt both David and myself as he was holding the handles while I pedalled, but as the session went on I grew more and more confident.

As soon as David thought I could pedal on my own he supported me gently by my shoulders, and then let me ride on my own, although he did stay close by in case I needed help.

After a shaky start, I managed to stay on the bike and it was one of the best feelings: moving without walking. I never expected to enjoy it so much!

For more on free cycling training with the Council, visit: www.hackney.gov.uk/cycle-training; or call: 020 8356 6594.



Photos: Hannah Lucy Jones



Dila Tumer, at Hackney Downs Park, with cycling instructor David – who taught her to learn to ride a bike in just one afternoon

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Hackney is one of the most diverse places in the UK. In this regular feature, we profile the borough's great & good or just plain interesting

hackney people

Playing it straight

By Hattie Worsley

YOU could say that Hackney gave me my first big break," says playwright Alecky Blythe.

"I realised I wanted to work in theatre because of a teacher, Mrs Blythe, who was head of speech and drama at my junior school. She had such an influence on me that I went on to adopt her surname. I was inspired to be an actor but, after graduating, no one would give me any work so I decided to make my own."

Alecky had been, in her own words, 'scrabbling around on the fringes' for about seven years when she enrolled in a workshop run by Mark Wing-Davey.

A Hackney resident himself, he taught the technique for which Alecky, 15 years on, is now famous; recording testimonies from real people. Plays are built around their words and, when performed, those words are played to the actors through headphones and recited aloud for the audience to hear.

"After the workshop I asked Mark if I could use the method to write my own play," says Alecky. "The idea was just to make a piece to show off my acting skills to agents and then maybe get a part in 'The Bill' and I'd be off!"

It didn't quite happen that way, however. She continues: "I had just moved to Hackney and heard about a siege going on locally. I thought it might be an interesting setting to explore the idea of fear for a piece of theatre. When I arrived I got caught up in an entire story

“Hackney has served me well! I think there's something about the mix of people here that is inherently good for drama”

unravelling around me."

The siege was caused by gangster Eli Hall, who, at the end of 2002, barricaded himself inside a bedsit on Marvin Street in what was to become one of the longest armed sieges in British history. Alecky arrived at the police cordon and began to talk to, and record, members of the crowd that had gathered, eventually securing an interview with the hostage, Paul Okere. The result was her first play, 'Come Out Eli', which was staged at the Arcola theatre in Dalston.

"It didn't get me an acting agent," laughs Alecky, "but it did get me one for my writing, and I decided to run with it."

Plays that followed include 'Cruising', 'The Girlfriend Experience', 'Do We Look Like Refugees?', 'Where Have I Been All My Life?' and musical 'London Road', which was named Best Musical at the Critics Circle Awards after it was staged at the National Theatre.

Last year she returned to Hackney for inspiration with 'Little Revolution' which focused on the effects of the 2011 riots. Alecky took her camera and microphone to document what was happening in and around Clarence Road, when the civil unrest began.

The police had kettled rioters into the road, which runs through Pembury Estate. There was only one

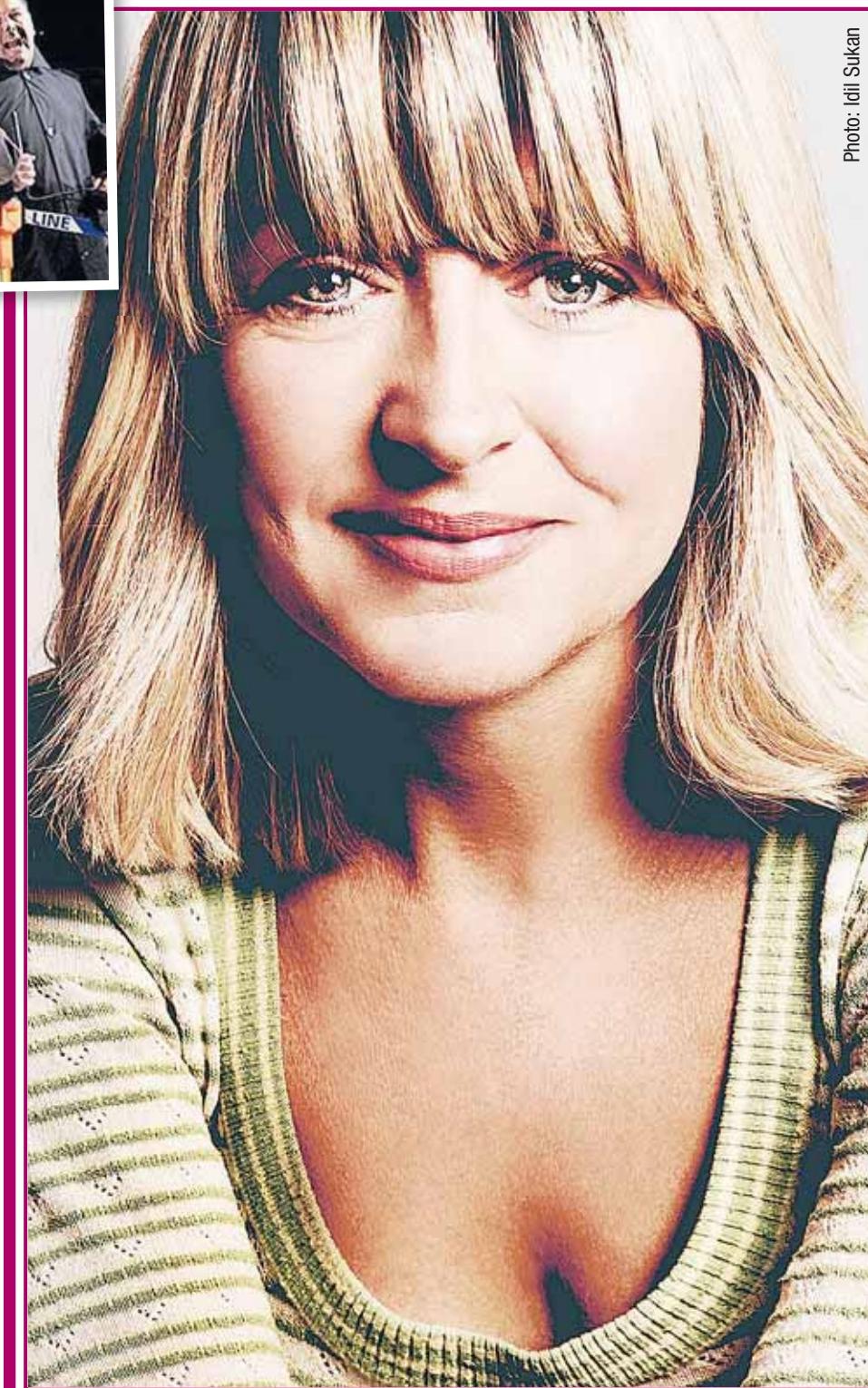
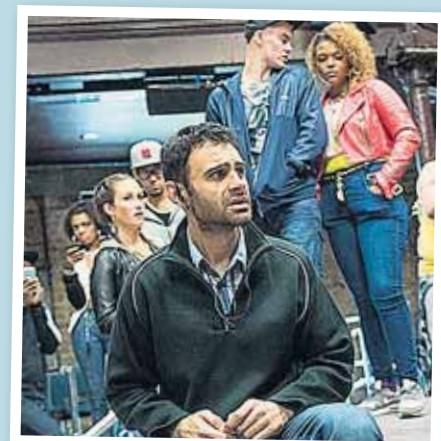


Photo: Idil Sukan

Playwright Alecky Blythe; stills from musical 'London Road' (above) and play 'Little Revolution' (below)

Curriculum Vitae: Alecky Blythe

- 1972 Born in Epping
- 1995 Graduates from Warwick University
- 2003 Sets up her theatre company, Recorded Delivery
- 2003 Her first play, 'Come Out Eli', is staged at the Arcola and wins Time Out Award for Best Production on the Fringe
- 2011 Her musical, 'London Road', is staged at the National Theatre and wins Best Musical at the Critics Circle Awards
- 2014 'Little Revolution' is staged at the Almeida. The play is currently shortlisted for the Susan Smith Blackburn Prize



Advertising promotion

Let's go swishing!

What is swishing?

Swishing is another word for a clothes swap, a frock exchange or shwopping. Whatever you want to call it, it's a great way to have a clear out and get a whole new wardrobe without spending any money.

The idea is to get together with friends or family to swap clothes, accessories and shoes. This is how it works:

Step 1: decide who to invite, a venue (whose home to use), and a date that suits everyone.

Step 2: ask everyone to look through their wardrobes for good quality items they no longer wear (or have never worn!).

Step 3: ask everyone to bring their pre-loved items to the party and let the swishing begin. The aim is to find new homes for all the donated items.

Did you know? The average UK household owns around £4,000 worth of clothes, 30% of which have not been worn for a year.

Free swishing party pack

If you'd like to find out more download a free swishing party pack at wiseuptowaste.org.uk

The pack has information to help you plan your party, ideas for how to make it fun and what to do with any leftover items. There are pull-out items too including a party invite and a template for making your own gift tags.

Did you know? We throw away approximately one million tonnes of clothing a year – 50% of which ends up in landfill.



HOLD a SWISHING PARTY

**SWISHING (CLOTHES SWAPPING) IS
a WAY TO HAVE A CLEAR OUT AND
GET a WHOLE new WARDROBE
WITHOUT SPENDING ANY MONEY**



Give it a go and download our swishing party pack today at wiseuptowaste.org.uk

Clothes and shoes that can't be swished can be recycled at your local Reuse and Recycling Centre. Visit wiseuptowaste.org.uk/recycle-more to find your nearest.

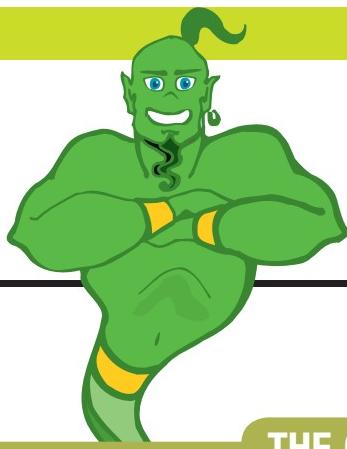
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THE GREEN GENIE

Green tips for the spring

SPRING is just around the corner! Here are the Green Genie's top tips for a greener Hackney this spring:

Get ready to start gardening: The green waste from your garden is recyclable so don't put it in with your general rubbish. The Council collects garden waste every two weeks and provides free wheeled bins. The green waste is turned into compost which is used in Hackney's parks, allotments and gardens. Order bins or bags and check your collection dates at: hackney.gov.uk/brown-bin; or call: 020 8356 6688.

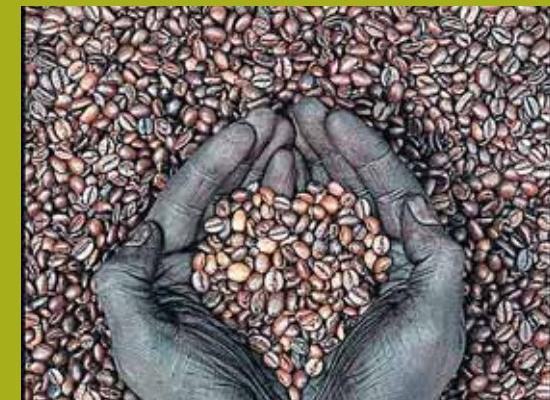
Pick up some free compost: If you want some free compost to help your garden grow greener, go to South Millfields Park on 22 March. Bring some bags and take as much as you like from 11am to 3pm.

Clear out your wardrobe: If your hats, coats and gloves have seen their last winter, take them to a textile and clothing bank. There are almost 100 of them in the borough. For more info, visit: hackney.gov.uk/recycling-on-the-go

Recycle your electronics for free: Thousands of tonnes of waste electrical and electronic equipment ends up in landfill every year. But 123 Recycle for Free will collect all your electrical items and either reuse or recycle them. To book a collection call: 0800 085 1050.

MORE INFO

To ask the Genie a question, e-mail: recycling@hackney.gov.uk, or write to: **Green Genie, Recycling, Keltan House, 89-115 Mare Street, E8 4RU**. For more information on recycling in the borough call: 020 8356 6688, or visit: www.hackney.gov.uk/recycling



Fairtrade Fortnight

An award-winning documentary film about Ethiopia's coffee industry will be screened for free to mark Fairtrade Fortnight.

'Black Gold', a 2006 film which exposes the multi-billion dollar coffee industry and traces one Ethiopian man's fight for a fair price for his produce, will be shown at Hackney Picturehouse on 1 March from 3.30pm.

Fairtrade was created as an alternative way of doing business by offering a better deal for producers in developing countries. It is based on partnership, which means that the interests of farmers and workers are just as important as other

“Fairtrade Fortnight is an opportunity to commit to a more ethical way of trading”

commercial considerations.

The Hackney Fairtrade Group, which was set up in 2008 to promote the ethos to local businesses and organisations, will talk about their work and host a question session in the Mare Street cinema following the show. It is one of a number of activities being held in Hackney to promote Fairtrade Fortnight, which runs between 23 February and 8 March.

This year, it focusses on the impact of Fairtrade

and asks people to 'shine a spotlight on the producers who grow the products we love'.

The Hackney Fairtrade Group will have also have a stall in Broadway Market on 7 March where residents can taste Fairtrade products, talk to the group about the movement, and play a part locally by buying Fairtrade products in the borough.

Schools will also be taking part in the fortnight, including Skinners' Academy, N4, which will

be running a Fairtrade chocolate shop.

Cllr Jonathan McShane, Cabinet Member for Health, Social Care and Culture, said: "Fairtrade Fortnight is an opportunity to commit to a more ethical way of shopping and trading."

The Hackney Fairtrade Group would like to start a directory of businesses which stock Fairtrade products. For more info, e-mail: fair.trade@hackney.gov.uk

MORE INFO

 To book a free ticket for Black Gold on 1 March, visit: bit.ly/black-gold-film; or call: 087 1902 5734

Save money on energy bills for Hackney Homes tenants

VULNERABLE tenants could see significant savings to their energy bills as a result of a pioneering green project by Hackney Homes.

The Green Estates scheme, in partnership with Climate Energy, provides free, personalised and independent energy advice to older and

vulnerable residents including those who do not have English as their first language.

After a successful launch on four estates, the scheme has now expanded to eight estates. As part of the scheme, information sessions are held for residents on estates.

Tenants are offered free

energy monitors and an opportunity to book a home visit from an energy saving expert. Information on special discounted fuel tariffs and details of grants to help with fuel debt are also available.

More than 200 tenants across the eight Green Estates are set to benefit from face-to-face, energy

saving home visits.

Resident Osman Keser said: "I learnt a lot from the energy advice session. The new monitor allows me to control the amount of energy I use throughout my house."

For more info, call: 020 8356 2291; or e-mail: greenestates@hackneyhomes.org.uk



Residents from Nisbet House learn how to save money on their energy bills with the new Green Estates programme

LOVE HACKNEY

SHOP LOCAL

Do you **really need** a plastic bag?

Support your local high street and reduce the use of plastic bags by shopping with a reusable carrier bag - discounts are available at some participating shops.

For more information, visit www.hackney.gov.uk/shop-local

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FREE driver CPC training

Do you drive an HGV through Hackney? You can attend the 'Safe Urban Driving' course for **FREE**



For more information or to book a place visit
www.hackney.gov.uk/HGV-CPC or call 020 8356 3000

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- Age range: 16-70 years old
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SATURDAY'S (12.00 - 2.00pm) at: Homerton Baptist Church, Barnabas Road, Homerton, Hackney, London E9 5SD.
(1 min away from 'Homerton' train Stn - London Overground). Call: Sensie Ken, Black Belt 1st Dan, (0795 277 2070)



Woodberry Down
Children's Centre

30 March – 1 April 2015

7 April – 10 April 2015

9.00am–5.30pm

£18.00

Full day for Hackney residents

£25.00

Full day Non-Hackney residents
(No sibling concessions)

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Easter Playscheme

For children aged 4–10 years

For further information please call Pauline and for referrals call Laura on 020 8815 3270

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Hackney Children's Centres
The place for families with children under five

what's on

TOP FIVE

There's so much to do in and around Hackney. From theatre to club nights, art exhibitions to community events. Here's our pick of what's on this fortnight:

1. WORKS BY ALFREDA BENGE

Paintings, illustrations, collages and lyrics by the wife of musician Robert Wyatt

► See Art & Exhibitions

2. INTRODUCTION TO CAKE DECORATING

Skills to decorate cakes using butter cream and sugar paste

► See Courses

3. SELF HELP HOMEOPATHY

Learn how to use remedies to heal in first aid situations

► See Health, Fitness & Sport

4. JUST BLAZE

RnB legendary producer does DJ set at The Nest, Dalston

► See Nightlife

5. CHINESE NEW YEAR CELEBRATIONS

A cultural feast of events to mark the Year of the Sheep

► See Theatre & Live Entertainment

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PREVIEW

Molly Parkin's Playground

Until 21 March, Forman's Smokehouse Gallery, Stour Road, E3

OF ALL the entries on Molly Parkin's CV – including selling her paintings at the Tate Gallery, making hats for 60s boutique Biba and becoming an award-winning fashion editor – 'sexual adventurer' is probably the most unique.

Molly's extraordinary journey from the Welsh Valleys to bohemian muse is detailed in her autobiographical exhibition at Forman's

► For more info, visit: <http://smokehousegallery.org>

Smokehouse Gallery, Hackney Wick. Entitled 'Molly Parkin's Playground', the 83-year-old says it will explore all facets of her 'amazing life' – from learning to paint in 1949 to sleeping with hundreds of men in the 60s and 70s – and has subtitled it, suggestively, 'my top-shelf shop'. Now celibate, she focuses her time on creating art. You can catch some of it, as well as a taste of her adventures, sexual and otherwise, until next month.

also in what's on



NIGHTLIFE



HEALTH, FITNESS & SPORT



Harry Potter actor Harry Melling stars in his own play 'Peddling' at the Arcola Theatre

Events info can also be viewed
on the Council's website:
www.hackney.gov.uk/whatson

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ART & EXHIBITIONS

GLOW

Until 28 Feb, various times

Working exclusively with oil on paper, artist Darren Floyd's pieces feature two abstract portraits continually refined, each time retaining at least one identifiable feature, the curve of a neck or the gasp of the mouth. Free. Hundred Years Gallery, 13 Pearson St, E2 8JD. Info: 020 3602 7973; info@hundredyearsgallery.com; www.hundredyearsgallery.com/exposed-n-3/

WHAT HAPPENS WHILE YOU'RE WAITING

Until 2 Mar, 9am-5pm

An exhibition of paintings and exclusive prints by Hackney-based artist David Caines. His psychologically charged paintings bring together unlikely groups of curious and

seemingly unrelated characters in carefully arranged groupings against empty backgrounds. Free. Stour Space, Hackney Wick, E3 2PA. Info: 020 89857827; info@stourspace.co.uk; www.stourspace.co.uk/event/what-happens-while-youre-waiting-david-caines

DRAY

Until 8 Mar, Thurs-Sun, 12noon-6pm

A new body of work by Natalie Dray combining stereotypical patterns of automated engineering processes and human gesture typical of computer customisation.

Free. Cell Project Space, 258 Cambridge Heath Rd, E2 9DA.

Info: 020 7241 3600; info@cellprojects.org; www.cellprojects.org/shows-present

P.L.A

Until 5 Apr, Mon-Fri, 10am-5pm; Sat & Sun, 12noon-6pm

A retrospective exhibition of paintings, illustrations, collages



and lyrics exploring works by artist Alfreda Benge and the creative partnership she shares with her husband, musician Robert Wyatt. Space Studios, 129-131 Mare Street, E8 3RH. Info: 0208 525 4330; mail@spacestudios.org.uk; www.spacestudios.org.uk

ACTIVATING THE ARCHIVE

Until 25 Apr, various times

Banner Repeater gallery collaborates with Hackney Archives for an exhibition promoting the richness of artists' publishing across the borough. Most works can be handled to allow visitors to explore this medium at its best. Free. Hackney Downs Railway

Station, Dalston Lane, E8 1LA. Info: 07958 996 834; info@bannerrepeater.org; www.bannerrepeater.org/now

SEX SHOP

28 Feb-29 Mar, Fri-Sun, 12noon-6pm

Curators Sarah Gillham, Jack Stokoe and Darren Laird invited artists, designers and creatives to develop 40 creative takes on the sex toy. Free. Ages 18+. Unit 25a, Regent Studios, 8 Andrews Rd, E8 4QN. Info: info@transitiongallery.co.uk; www.transitiongallery.co.uk



CINEMA

RIO

Love Is Strange (15); Birdman (15); White God (15); School Of Babel (PG). Rio Cinema, 107 Kingsland High St, Dalston, E8 2PB. Info: 020 7241 9410; www.riocinema.ndirect.co.uk

RICH MIX

Cake (15); The Second Best Exotic Marigold Hotel (PG); Night At The Museum: The Secret of The Tomb (PG); Annie (PG). Rich Mix, 35-47 Bethnal Green Rd, E1 6LA. Info: 020 7613 7498; www.richmix.org.uk

HACKNEY PICTUREHOUSE

True Romance (18); The Second Best Exotic Marigold Hotel (PG); National Gallery (12A). Hackney Picturehouse, 270 Mare St, E8 1HE. Info: 0871 902 5734; www.picturehouses.co.uk/cinema/hackney_picturehouse



COURSES

LIFE-DRAWING

Every Mon, 7-9pm

Further your understanding of this drawing practice, whether a complete beginner or practising artist. The classes rotate up to eight models, male and female, throughout the term to set new challenges each week. Each class is self-contained so people can drop in at any point during the term. Equipment and materials included. Book in advance. £10. Ages 18+. A-side B-side Gallery, Hackney Downs Studios, Amhurst Terrace, E8 2BT. Info: 07792 126 195; catherineh@asidebsidegallery.com; www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/life-drawing-classtickets-15019987186

MAKE YOUR OWN CLOTHES

Every Thurs, 2-4pm

Students will gain useful design and garment construction skills such as dart manipulation, draping on a stand, and fashion illustration with a masterclass on appliquéd. Classes include design, textiles, pattern cutting and sewing. £3. Ages 50+. Wayside Community Centre, 69 Lower Clapton E5 0NP. Info: 07729 127 272; prettyshepink@aol.com

REVISIONIST HISTORY OF ART

Every Thurs, 26 Feb-26 Mar, 6-7.30pm

An introduction to international

art history from 1945 to the present day. The five sessions will focus on global art practice, identity politics and the institutional frame. £195. Ages 18+. Iniva, Rivington Place, EC2A 3BA. Info: 020 7749; jstarr@iniva.org; www.iniva.org

ILLUSTRATING CHILDREN'S BOOKS

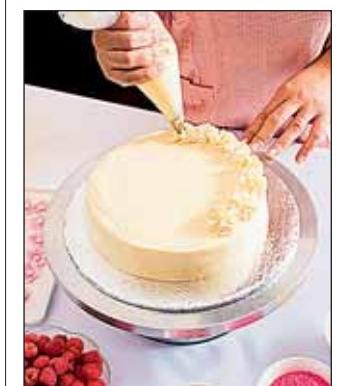
28 Feb, 9.30am-5pm

An intensive one-day course, covering picture books, black and white fiction and graphic novels suitable for children aged 9 to 12. Learn about book-making, drawing as storytelling and how to stimulate original ideas. Welcome to bring own drawing implements. Paper provided. £100. Ages 18+. Victoria Park Books, 174 Victoria Park Rd, E9 7HD. Info: 07771 686 519; joanna@victoriaparkbooks.co.uk; www.victoriaparkbooks.co.uk/

INTRO TO CAKE DECORATING

28 Feb, 10am-1pm

Gain the knowledge and skills to decorate cakes using butter cream and sugar paste. The workshop includes cake covering, paste colouring, using piping strokes and cut-outs. Suitable for beginners and refreshers. £40. Ages 18+. Unit 24-25, The Forum Independent Place, Shacklewell Lane, E8 2HE. Info: 020 7249 4542; htea@live.co.uk; www.htea1.com



HEALTH, FITNESS & SPORT

SELF HELP HOMEOPATHY

Every Sun from 8 Mar, 10am-3.30pm



Photo: Bill Knight

Win tickets to 'Pride and Prejudice' at the Rosemary Branch Theatre

SOME of Jane Austen's most popular characters are set to tread the boards at the Rosemary Branch Theatre, with the adaptation of her classic novel 'Pride and Prejudice'.

Last year's production of 'Jane Eyre' was celebrated as 'fringe theatre at its best' by The Stage magazine.

Now, director Bryony J Thompson has turned her talent for adaption to the story of the five unmarried Bennet sisters and their quests for love, complicated by the expectations of the era and the timeless obstacle of a pushy mother.

A cast of seven recreate all the characters, from the complicated Lizzy, sweet-tempered Jane, and silly Lydia, to their admirers the proud Mr Darcy, affable Mr Bingley, rakish Mr Wickham, and ridiculous Mr Collins. The performance runs from 10 March to 4 April, 7.30pm on Tuesday-Saturday; and 6pm on Sundays. Tickets cost £13/£11 (concessions) except on Tuesdays when all tickets are £10. For more info, visit: www.rosemarybranch.co.uk/

Hackney Today is giving away two pairs of tickets to the show. Send your entry to Pride and Prejudice competition, Hackney Today, Communications, Room 82, Hackney Town Hall, Mare Street, E8 1EA; or e-mail: htnews@hackney.gov.uk by 12pm on 4 March. Submissions must include an address and contact number. Winners will be pulled out of a hat.

Competition

Build confidence in self-prescribing homeopathic remedies for anxiety, food poisoning, exhaustion, hormonal imbalance, insomnia and more. This 18-hour course spread over five sessions is taught in the home of an experienced homeopath and teacher. Booking essential. £120/25 for a short session. Conc prices available. Ages 18+. Stoke Newington Church St, N16 0JL. Info: 020 7254 0456; suzyhomeopathy@yahoo.co.uk



SAMATHA MEDITATION CLASS

Every Tues, 6.30pm-8pm
Introduced from Thailand, these classes are based on the mindfulness of breathing and are an effective way of training the mind to develop inner strength and calm. Welcome to bring own cushion. All levels. Free. Donations welcome. Ages 17+. The Redmond Community Centre, Kayani Avenue, N4 2HF. Info: n4samatha@gmail.com

YOGA FLOW

Every Wed, 7-8pm
The style is mindful, flowing hatha yoga, with a strong focus on alignment. Mats provided but limited. Feel free to bring own. All levels. £10. Conc prices available. St Peter's Church, Northchurch Terrace, N1 4DA. Info: 07745 745 341; delia@beloveyoga.net; www.beloveyoga.net

TAI JI QUAN

Every Wed, until 25 Mar, 5-6pm
Experience the graceful movements of this Chinese martial art and learn about the benefits to wellbeing and health, including releasing tension and stress. Led by an

experienced teacher. All levels. Free. Ages 16+. St Josephs Hospice, Mare St, E8 4SA. Info: 020 8525 3144; c.griffin@stjh.org.uk; www.stjh.org.uk/event/tai-ji-quan

TAO PAD BOXING

Every Wed, 7.15-8.30pm
A great all-round training regime, challenge yourself with exercises from skipping to core work and punching pads. £8. Ages 18+. Abney Public Hall, 73a Stoke Newington Church St, N16 0AS. Info: 07905 614 256; jasonboxw1n@outlook.com

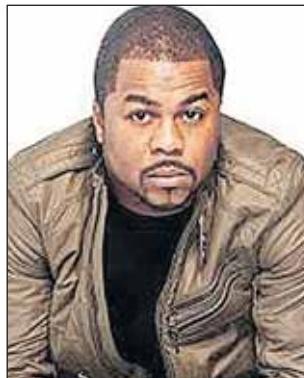
MEN'S CARDIO CIRCUIT EXERCISE

Every Thurs, 2-3pm
Improve your physique and health and get stronger in a fun and supportive environment. Classes are taught by a male tutor. Ages 50+. 30 Queensbridge Sports And Community Centre, Holly St, E8 3XW. Info: 020 7923 0350; nazmun-khanam@thesharpend.org.uk; www.thesharpend.org.uk



JUST BLAZE

25 Feb, 9pm-2am
Just Blaze can claim to be responsible for some of the noughties' most well received albums. His CV includes working with Eminem, Kendrick Lamar and Jay Z. DJ Budakan and Shoreditch DJs complete the line-up. £7/10. Ages 18+. The Nest, Stoke Newington Rd, Dalston, N16 7XJ. Info: steve@thecolumbogroup.com; www.ilovethenest.com



DUGOUT SOUL CLUB

27 Feb, 9pm-3am
February marks the second anniversary of the club's move to the Mascara Bar attracting an ever growing crowd of 'soulies'. DJs on the night will be spinning Northern Soul, RnB, funk and Motown. Free. Ages 21+. Mascara Bar, 72 Stamford Hill, N16 6XS. Info: 07751 205 323; info@mascarabar.co.uk; www.facebook.com/dugoutsoulclub

LITTLE ITALY

27 Feb, 7pm-3.30am
Introducing a new night with music of various genres and styles brought to you by an exclusive line-up of Italian artists. Includes DJs and a movie screening. Free/£5/10. Ages 18+. Passing Clouds, 1 Richmond Rd, E8 4AA. Info: 020 7241 4889; info@openthegate.org.uk; www.passingclouds.org

A NIGHT DEDICATED TO THE 80'S

7 Mar, 11pm-4am
Midnight A Go-Go is an 80s dance party, for all the people who grew up during the MTV generation. Expect to hear a mix of pop classics, new wave anthems and synthpop sophistication from Madonna to Duran Duran and Springsteen to Hall & Oates. £5. Ages 18+. The Waiting Room, 175 Stoke Newington High St, N16 0LH. Info: 020 7241 5511; www.waitingroom16.com



ORDINARY DAYS

Until 28 Feb, Tues-Sat from 8pm, Sun from 5pm
When Deb loses her most



PREVIEW

Peddling

4-28 March, Arcola Theatre, Dalston, E8

IT'S a long way from Harry Potter to Hackney. Nevertheless, Harry Melling – the actor who played Dudley Dursley in the hit film franchise – is bringing his first piece of theatre to the Arcola in March. 'Peddling', a one-man play written and performed by Melling, sold out when it premiered at the HighTide Festival in Aldborough and again during its off-Broadway tour in the States. Transferring to the Arcola for its London debut, the play centres around a peddler, known only as Boy, who wakes up, lying in the grass with a firework in his hand and no

idea how he has ended up there. To answer that question, he must retrace his story, via the doorsteps of privileged Londoners and the cracks that swallow thousands of young people every year.

An exploration of family, identity and the 6,000 Londoners who sleep rough every night on the city's streets, 'Peddling' runs from 4 to 28 March. There will be a gala performance on 19 March, with proceeds going to the charity Kids Company to fund its playwriting and performance course.

For more info and tickets, visit: www.arcolatheatre.com.

precious possession, she unwittingly starts a chain of events that turn the ordinary lives of four New Yorkers into something extraordinary. A humorous story encouraging us to find beauty in the rush of city life. £11/9 conc. Ages 12+. The Rosemary Branch Theatre, 2 Shepperton Rd, N1 3DT.

Info: 020 7704 2730; www.rosemarybranch.co.uk

info@theyardtheatre.co.uk; www.theyardtheatre.co.uk

STAND UP & SLAM

26 Feb, from 7.30pm
Merging two art forms for one night of spoken word. Six acts from the worlds of comedy and poetry go face-to-face as the audience decide who wins each round. £8. Ages



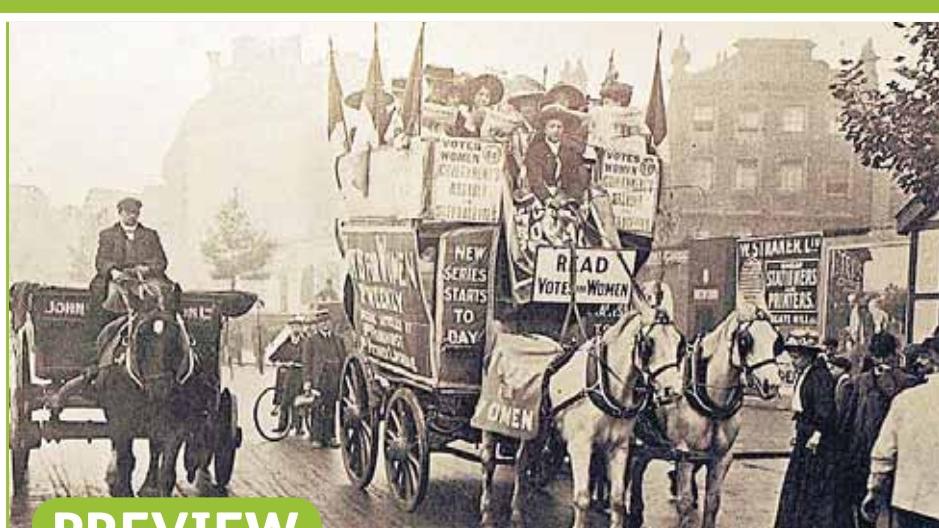
18+. Hackney Picturehouse, Hackney Attic, 270 Mare Street, E8 1HE. Info: 0871 902 5734; hackney@picturehouses.co.uk; www.picturehouses.co.uk/cinema/Hackney_Picturehouse/film/Stand_Up_And_Slam/

CHINESE NEW YEAR CELEBRATIONS

28 Feb, 12noon-4pm
Celebrate the Year of the Sheep with cultural performances, food and drink, stalls and children's art and craft workshops. The event aims to bring together people from different communities and cultures. Free. All ages. Rich Mix, 35-47 Bethnal Green Rd, Shoreditch, E1 6LA. Info: 020 7613 7498; boxoffice@richmix.org.uk, www.richmix.org.uk

Events info can also be viewed
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PREVIEW

Women's History Month

Throughout March & April, various venues

MARCH seems an appropriate time for Women's History Month, reflecting on a trajectory towards freedom and equality that has included a conspicuous amount of... well... marching.

In Hackney, women artists, activists, writers, performers, community groups and organisations are celebrating with a remarkably diverse range of events. Cinema and arts venue Rich Mix marks the month with a four-week programme, starting on 6 March and a one-off showcase from Tamasha Theatre. In 'Mothers and Daughters', Tuyen Do and Elena Procopiu explore relationships between generations. The Clapton Salvation Army is hosting 'How I See It', an exhibition of large banner artworks by Alix Edwards and 'Art in the

Community', which runs from 3 March to 9 April. There will also be a free art workshop on 13 March.

Meanwhile, a group show at the Darnley Gallery, E9, examines the thorny issue of how women view themselves. 'MMMother' runs from 23 to 27 March. At the Worldwrite Centre, E5, documentary film 'Sylvia Pankhurst: Everything Is Possible' examines the life and impact of this East End suffragette. The screening is on 5 March.

Lastly, Hackney Central Library, E8, is hosting an exhibition exploring art's relationship with protest. 'What I Love About Summer' by Alix Edwards runs from 4 March to 30 April. For more info, visit: www.alternativearts.co.uk



YOUNG PEOPLE

DOUBLE BASS TUITION

Every Sat, 10.30am

Thirty minutes' classical double bass one-to-one tuition. £135 per 10-week term. Instrument hire £40 extra. Concession prices available. Ages 7-21. Stoke Newington Media and Arts College, Clissold Rd, N16 9EY. Info: hyot@hotmail.co.uk

DRAWING AND PAINTING

Every Sat, 10.30-11.30am

Learn to draw, starting with basic techniques and progress to different painting styles. Booking essential as spaces are limited. £10. Ages 10-16. A-side B-side Gallery, Hackney

Downs Studios, Amhurst Terrace, E8 2BT. Info: 07792 126 195; catherineh@asidebsidegallery.com; www.asidebsidegallery.com

LENNON DANCE ACADEMY

Every Sat, 2.30-5pm

A new dance school focusing on contemporary and jazz dance. Contemporary is the foundation of modern dance and explores freedom in movement, while jazz provides more structure, aiding the development of technical



dance skills. £90 for the spring term. Ages 11+. Haggerston Secondary School, Weymouth Terrace, E2 8LS. Info: 020 8882 8825; info@hmdt.org.uk; www.hmdt.org.uk/hmdtmusic

AUDITION FOR MIMBRE YOUTH COMPANY

25 Feb, 5-6.30pm

Learn acrobatics and street dance with professional artists. Mimbre are currently auditioning for their dance company. Suitable for those who have some experience in dance, parkour or gymnastics. Free. Ages 8-16. The Boiler House Community Space, George Downing Estate, Cazenove Rd, N16 6BE. Info: jana.mimbre@gmail.com; www.mimbre.co.uk/participation/classes-for-young-people



NOTICEBOARD

ARE YOUR MEDICAL RECORDS STILL CONFIDENTIAL?

25 Feb, 6.30-8.30pm

NHS Community Voice are the new patient forums for Hackney and the City. Have your say on the sharing of patient's GP records with speakers Robin Burgess, from NHS England, and Phil Booth, from campaign group Med Confidential.

Refreshments available. Ages 18+.

Well Street Surgery, 28 Shore Rd, E9 7TA. Info: 020 7923 8367; sulekha@healthwatchhackney.co.uk; www.healthwatchhackney.co.uk

LUNCH WITH HIP

27 Feb, 12noon-2.30pm

This independent forum hosts a lunch for parents, carers and providers who look after Hackney children and young people aged up to 25 with disabilities, SEN and additional needs. Get in touch if a special diet or interpreter is needed. Free. Limited spaces. All ages. The Russet, 17 Amhurst Terrace, E8 2BT. Info: 07985 739 851; info@hiphackney.org.uk

FAMILY FUN WEEKEND

28 Feb, 10am-4pm

Meet new people and have family fun at a fundraising event with music, dance, face painting and games. Food and drink available to purchase. Booking essential. £2.50 children/ £4 adults. All ages. 33 Brougham Rd, London Fields, E8 4QL. Info: 07908 532 832; iwmoukchapter@yahoo.co.uk

GIVE AND TAKE DAY

1 Mar, 1-4pm

A chance to pass on items you no longer need and pick up something new. Large furniture, books DVDs/CDs, garden ware, clothes, toys and more will be accepted. Free. All ages. The Boiler House Community Space, George Downing Estate, Cazenove Rd, N16 6BE. Info: 07811 237 329; manuela@lcrn.org.uk

giveandtakelondon.weebly.com

GET WARM STAY WARM

3 Mar, 2-7pm

Have fun at an event raising awareness of fuel poverty focused around saving money, reducing bills and providing advice as part of Climate Week. Bring along a copy of your fuel bill to enter a prize draw. There will be stalls from Age UK and National Energy Action, plus children's and exercise activities. Free. All ages. Redmond Community Centre, Kayani Avenue, N4 2HR. Info: 020 3819 5615; gloria.debeauvoirwi.com

obilana@mhdtd.org.uk; www.mhdtd.org.uk/climate-week-event-get-warm-stay-warm

DE BEAUVOIR WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

5 Mar, 7.30-9.30pm

Photographer Martin Osborne talks about the subject of his book, Joseph Markovich, in 'I've Lived in East London for 85½ Years'. Joseph lived in Hoxton all his life, leaving only once to visit the seaside. All ages. The Crypt, St Peter's Church, Northchurch Terrace, N1 4DA. Info: www.debeauvoirwi.com

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As a volunteer organiser, you will help recruit and place new volunteers in local schools, and support them and existing volunteers to ensure a great volunteering experience.

As part of the UK's leading volunteering charity, you will receive full training, support and expenses, will meet new people, and can feel proud that you are playing a key role in improving the life prospects of children in your community.

For more information, please contact us today.

Contact: readinginschools@csv.org.uk
www.csv.org.uk
Telephone: 020 3780 5911



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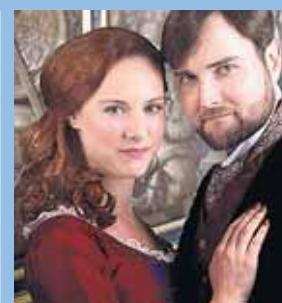
Important information for submissions

To submit your listing to What's On for publication in Hackney Today and on the Council website, fill in the e-form at: www.hackney.gov.uk/whatson

Please see the guidance notes on the website for further information.

We reserve the right to edit any material. No submission is guaranteed a listing.

Competitions



Hackney Today offered readers a chance to win tickets to ETO's La bohème in issue 348. The lucky winner was V Soliar, N4

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This page was compiled with the help of Hackney Learning Trust & local schools



Richard Franklin, Kisharon's fundraising and communications director; Student Naftoli Kahan (at podium); Dr Beverley Jacobson, Kisharon chief executive; Gweneth Preston, assistant principal, Hackney Community College at the launch of a new facility at Brenner Jewish Community Centre

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News in brief

Children learn about the world of work with Fudge the dog

By Anne-Marie Oni-Olusola

CHILDREN from St Dominic's Catholic Primary School, E9, enjoyed an unusual visit from Fudge the dog and its owner Ruth Thomas on behalf of charity Dogs Trust.

Ruth introduced her Lurcher Fudge, who is four years old, the same age as many of the children, and explained how the charity looks after dogs who have no home.

Ruth then talked about the best ways to care for dogs, and the role staff members at the Trust play, including feeding and grooming, ensuring the dogs have toys to play with and plenty of exercise.

Pupils Jemima Lolo, Kevin-Prince Gomez, Favour Robert, Ryan Escobar and Alyanna Cadby helped Ruth illustrate her talk by taking it in turns to pick one of Fudge's toys or a piece of equipment that is used to look after her, out of a large carrier bag.

Ruth and Fudge were among several guests at the school on 3 February as part of Work Week, a programme developed and delivered by education charity Inspire! to teach primary school children about the world of work.

The programme is one of Inspire!'s most successful, providing tailored lesson plans and workplace visits for primary schools.

For more info, visit: www.dogstrust.org.uk; or www.inspire-ebp.org.uk



Fudge the dog with owner Ruth visit St Dominic's Catholic Primary School as part of Work Week

New community links

HACKNEY Community College (HCC) has celebrated the official launch of a partnership providing unprecedented opportunities for young Orthodox Jewish people with learning difficulties and disabilities.

Students, parents, teachers and community partners gathered to mark the opening of a new facility at Brenner Jewish Community Centre, in Stamford Hill. It was developed through a collaboration between HCC and Jewish charity Kisharon, which provides

We're opening a pathway for young people with learning disabilities and difficulties to develop their independence

support for people with learning difficulties.

Dr Beverley Jacobson, the charity's Chief Executive, said: "Today is a celebration. We're not only opening a college, we're opening a pathway for young people with learning disabilities and difficulties to develop their independence.

"With HCC, we have built upon a really leading

edge provision for people with special needs."

Students, aged between 16 and 25, study in specially equipped rooms, including a kitchen with specially-designed appliances that accommodates people with varying levels of disability.

Ian Ashman, Principal of HCC, said: "Everyone who has helped to make this happen shares a great passion for meeting the

needs of the community."

Staff from HCC's specialist team visit the centre three days a week, teaching classes that focus on skills such as maths for everyday needs, literacy and practical skills for work and life. Students also follow Torah studies, central to the Orthodox Jewish culture.

Bella Sharer, whose 24-year-old son Chaim Boruch Sharer attends the classes, said: "I am humbled to think of the efforts made for the benefit of my son.

"I am really grateful to Kisharon and to HCC for their determination to bring structure into our children's lives."



Grasmere Primary School pupils wore hats to raise money for charity

Where's woolly? Grasmere pupils get their hats on for charity

By Anne-Marie Oni-Olusola

CHILDREN from Grasmere Primary School, N16, wore colourful hats to help raise money for a charity which supports homeless people.

Pupils and teachers at the school wore bobble

hats, beanies and berets to class in return for a donation to St Mungo's Broadway, which has a hostel on Mare Street.

Youngsters also held a collection and ran an assembly at the school last month to help raise £500 to support homeless people rebuild their lives.

Headteacher Mark Perrington said: "We are delighted to be working with and supporting St Mungo's Broadway. It is important for children to understand the importance of supporting others and how the work of charities greatly benefits individuals, families and the local and wider communities."

St Mungo's Broadway, which is a community housing association, provides a bed and support to more than 2,500 people a night who are either homeless or at risk of sleeping rough.

For more info, visit: www.mungosbroadway.org.uk

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Maximum fine £1000



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Hackney Opportunities
Week 2015
2–6 March 2015

Events and activities to kickstart your career search

If you are a young person wanting to get a job or prepare yourself for when you leave school, Hackney Opportunities Week is a great time to learn some useful skills.

A few of the activities happening this year:

- ▶ How to get a good job by improving your CV
- ▶ The importance of personal branding when looking for a job
- ▶ Who can help you with your job search
- ▶ How to develop the qualities needed for the best jobs

- ▶ An introduction to an out-of-school job search facility
- ▶ A free two week professional development programme

For a list of all the events and further details, visit: www.hackney.gov.uk



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Hackney Opportunities Week starts on 2 March with a five-day programme of free activities for young people. Above: the Opportunity Hub

Opportunities for all

A WEEK-long programme of free activities and events to help young people develop skills to forge successful careers is being launched next month.

Hackney Opportunities Week starts on 2 March with five days of free activities, workshops and events designed to equip young people with the skills to successfully search for, apply and interview for a job.

As part of the Council-run scheme, the young people will also have the chance to find out more about the new Hackney Opportunity Hub (pictured) that opened this month in Shoreditch.

It is home to the Council's Ways into Work team, which helps unemployed residents find full or part-

“We hope that with the launch of the first Hackney Opportunities Week, many young people... will gain the support to succeed”

time work.

The hub has a suite of free computers, Wi-Fi access, and staff on hand to provide employment support and coaching.

Mayor of Hackney, Jules Pipe, said: “Some 9.4 per cent of people aged 16 and over in Hackney are unemployed, with some young people feeling that living and working in Hackney is beyond reach when they leave school.

“We hope that with the launch of the first Hackney Opportunities Week many young people across the borough will

gain the support, skills and confidence to succeed when taking the first step onto the employment ladder and embarking on a career in the borough and beyond.”

Hackney Opportunities Week highlights include:

HOW TO GET A GOOD JOB

Mon 2 March, 5-7.30pm

An open event hosted by the Hackney Youth Parliament exploring local opportunities to improve a CV. Ages 13-19. 29 Forest Road, E8 3BY. Info: 020 8356 7650; tom.sheppard@hackney.gov.uk

TAKE CONTROL OF YOUR CAREER

Tues 3 March, 6-8.30pm

Helping people develop the qualities and characteristics needed to get the best jobs, apprenticeships, internships and volunteering opportunities. Ages 13-19. The Edge, Woodberry Grove, N4 15N. Info: 020 8356 7325; john.hart@hackney.gov.uk

FROM CV TO OPPORTUNITIES

Thurs 5 March, 6-8.30pm

Explore the importance of personal branding when looking for a job, apprenticeship, internship or volunteering opportunities. Ages 13-19. 29 Forest Road, E8 3BY. Info: 020 8356 4296; chris.murray@hackney.gov.uk

MORE INFO

For more info on Hackney Opportunities Week and Ways into Work, visit: www.hackney.gov.uk/wiw



News in brief

Youth hub fun day

YOUNG Hackney's Forest Road youth hub is set to host a family fun day on 28 February.

It is the flagship hub of five Council-run youth centres that offer different activities throughout the week for young people, aged eight to 19, or 24 for residents with a disability.

The fun day is a chance for families to find out about the full range of services on offer at the centre, with entertainment for kids and sports sessions. There will also be stalls and workshops run by organisations from Dalston Children's Network, giving careers and employment advice.

The free fun day, with refreshments, face painting and a raffle, is set to take place from 12noon to 3pm.

Media charity hits Hackney

A CHARITY that works with vulnerable young people to teach them media skills, has set its sights on Hackney's students.

Exposure, best known for its youth magazine, has secured funding to run workshops in creative writing, graphic design, and filmmaking for young people from the borough, aged between 13 and 21, or up to 25 for those with disabilities.

Students will have the chance to see their work published in Exposure's magazine and on its website.

Meena Sears, 14, a pupil at Mossbourne Community Academy, said: “It's great that Exposure is coming to Hackney. It's a fantastic opportunity for young people to get involved in the media and take the first steps towards a professional career.” For more info, visit: exposure.org.uk

Young people Rep-Present

By Dila Turner

SEVEN teams of teenagers from five Hackney schools presented innovative community improvement project plans to a panel of judges at the Rose Lipman Building on 4 February.

The event, called Rep-Present, was organised by youth charity Envision. It is one of a series of skills development challenges that students complete as part of a schools-based social action programme ‘Community Apprentice’. Themes varied from tackling homelessness to decreasing youth unemployment. The teams of 16 to 17 year-olds got up in turns to showcase their ideas.

Paul Akintan, 17, said: “It's interesting because it gets the youth's voices heard – that's why I like it so much.”

Funding was given to all seven teams. For more info, visit: www.envision.org.uk

Using your local health services over the winter



Don't just go to hospital – if you feel unwell there are many ways to get advice or treatment.

Self-care

Hangover, sore throat, coughs, colds

- The best place for you is at home in the warm - rest and drink plenty of non-alcoholic fluids
- Plan ahead - stock up on plasters, paracetamol, aspirin and indigestion remedies

Your local pharmacy

Diarrhoea, painful cough, headache, other minor ailments, emergency contraceptives

- Your local pharmacist can give you expert, confidential advice and treatment for a range of minor illnesses or injuries - many of them are open every day of the holiday and you do not need an appointment
- Plan ahead - ask your local pharmacy about their opening times, find out online at www.cityandhackneyccg.nhs.uk

Your GP

Ear pain, back ache, vomiting, depression, long-term conditions (e.g. diabetes, asthma)

- Your GP is the first place to go to for illnesses that won't go away
- For urgent appointments contact the surgery first thing in the morning, for non-urgent appointments book a week ahead
- You can ask for a telephone consultation with a doctor or nurse
- Plan ahead - make sure you have enough prescribed medicines to last you over holiday time

Out of hours GPs

If your GP surgery is closed but you need to speak to a doctor, you can call Hackney's out of hours GP service, CHUHSE, on **020 8185 0545**. They will be able to offer you advice or, if required, arrange an urgent appointment. Open 6.30pm – 8am on weekdays and all day on weekends and public holidays.

NHS 111

You feel you need medical help or advice fast but are unsure what to do and don't think it's a 999 emergency

- Call if you don't have a GP, can't access a GP or don't know who else to call
- The service is available 24 hours a day by calling **111**
- You will speak to a trained adviser, supported by nurses and paramedics, who will talk you through your symptoms and advise on what to do next

Homerton Hospital

Accident and Emergency - choking, severe chest pain, bleeding that won't stop, loss of consciousness, struggling to breathe, stroke

- Provides urgent treatment for serious, life-threatening conditions all day, every day
- Get there yourself if you can, but call **999** for an ambulance if someone is too ill to move, can't breathe or you don't have quick access to transport

Emergency dental treatment

You have an urgent dental problem and your usual dental practice is closed

- Call the Emergency Dental Service on **020 3594 0938** to speak to a dentist to get free advice or arrange emergency treatment

For more information on local NHS services, visit www.cityandhackneyccg.nhs.uk

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1. Carolyne Barber's best newcomer photograph 'Is She Local'; 2. Rachel Sunderland 'Yellow Daisy'; 3. Barry Wilcock 'Through the Thistle';
4. Leigh Ayres 'Sunflower Abstract'; 5. Andrea Guilickx 'Elegant Beauty'; 6. Jean Li 'Like Feathers'

Secret garden snaps

AHACKNEY hospice nurse has won a prestigious, international photography competition, despite only having picked up a camera five years ago.

Carolyne Barber, an advancing practice nurse at St Joseph's Hospice, E8, bagged the 'best newcomer award' in the new shoots category of the International Garden Photographer of the Year competition.

Open to both professional and amateur photographers, the competition had over 20,000 entries this year.

Carolyne was recognised for a photograph entitled 'Is She Local' (pictured, main) showing damsel flies peering over the edge of a leaf in Lee

“The standard of photography is breath-taking, I’m honoured to be among this group”

Valley Park.

She said: "I know a little bush where the damsel flies hang out. I had to get up in the night in the dark, when they are still cold, and wait for sunrise. The timing is really important because as soon as they're warm they fly off."

At St Joseph's, Carolyne works with patients at the end of their lives and those with life-limiting illnesses. She believes that her photos have a therapeutic effect, by bringing the outside world

into the hospice. After a photography session in the park, she often comes into work with new pictures to show to patients and colleagues, and her work is displayed around the building.

Michael Kerin, St Joseph's Hospice Chief Executive, said: "Carolyne's work is stunning. We're very proud of her for winning this award and I'm sure there will be many more to come."

The gardens at St Joseph's

have been one source of inspiration for Carolyne, who often uses them to observe the behaviour of different insects and animals. However, she said: "My inspiration also comes from all the other photographers who entered this competition.

"The standard of photography is breath-taking and I'm honoured to be among this group."

Carolyne's picture has been published in the 'International Garden Photographer of the Year book', Collection Eight, and will be exhibited at the Royal Botanic Gardens, Kew until 6 April, before touring different venues around the world.

News in brief

Smoking in cars with kids is to be illegal from 1 October

DRIVERS in England will be banned from smoking in their cars if they have children as passengers.

The new law comes into force on 1 October, and aims to protect children from the dangers of second-hand smoke. Over 80 per cent of cigarette smoke is invisible, and opening windows and doors in homes or cars does not remove its harmful effect. Children are especially vulnerable to the dangers of second-hand smoke as they breathe more rapidly than adults, have less developed airways and lungs, and less developed immune systems. Free support to stop smoking is available in Hackney and there is a service especially for pregnant women based at Homerton hospital.

For help to quit smoking, call: 0800 046 9946 or 020 3316 1085; e-mail: smokefreehackney@nhs.net; or visit: www.smokefreehackney.org



Help shape Hackney's GPs and fill out the Patient Survey

RESIDENTS are being urged to take part in a survey that will help their surgery get a better understanding of patient experiences and see where improvements can be made.

The national GP Patient Survey is taking place throughout February and March and uses a randomly selected sample of patients who have visited a surgery in the last six months.

Residents who have been chosen to take part will have received a blue survey form in the post which can be filled in and posted back, or completed online.

The survey includes questions about a range of issues, such as how easy or difficult it is for patients to make an appointment at their surgery, satisfaction with opening hours, the quality of care received from their GP and practice nurses, amongst other things.

The deadline for completion is 27 March. For more info and guidance on how to fill in the survey, visit: <http://gp-patient.co.uk/survey>; or call: 0808 238 5385.



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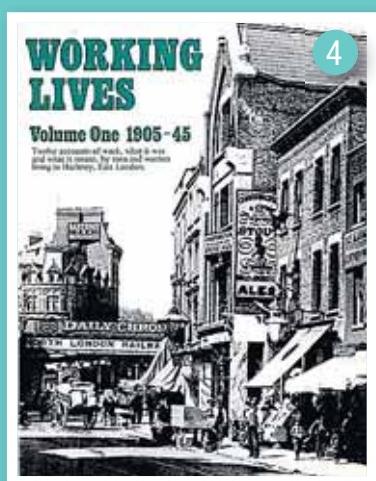
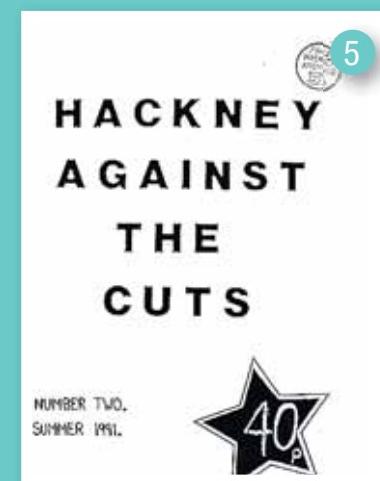
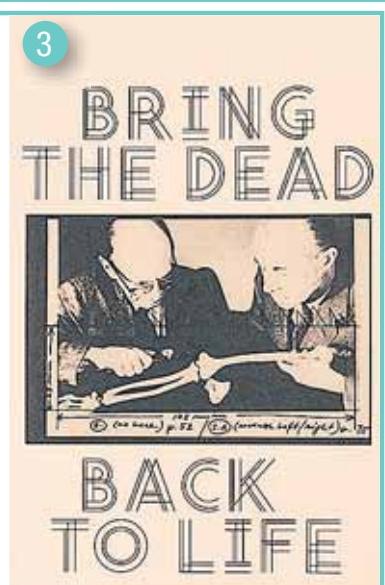
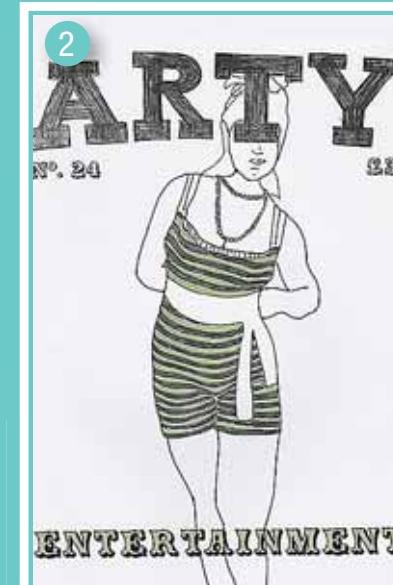
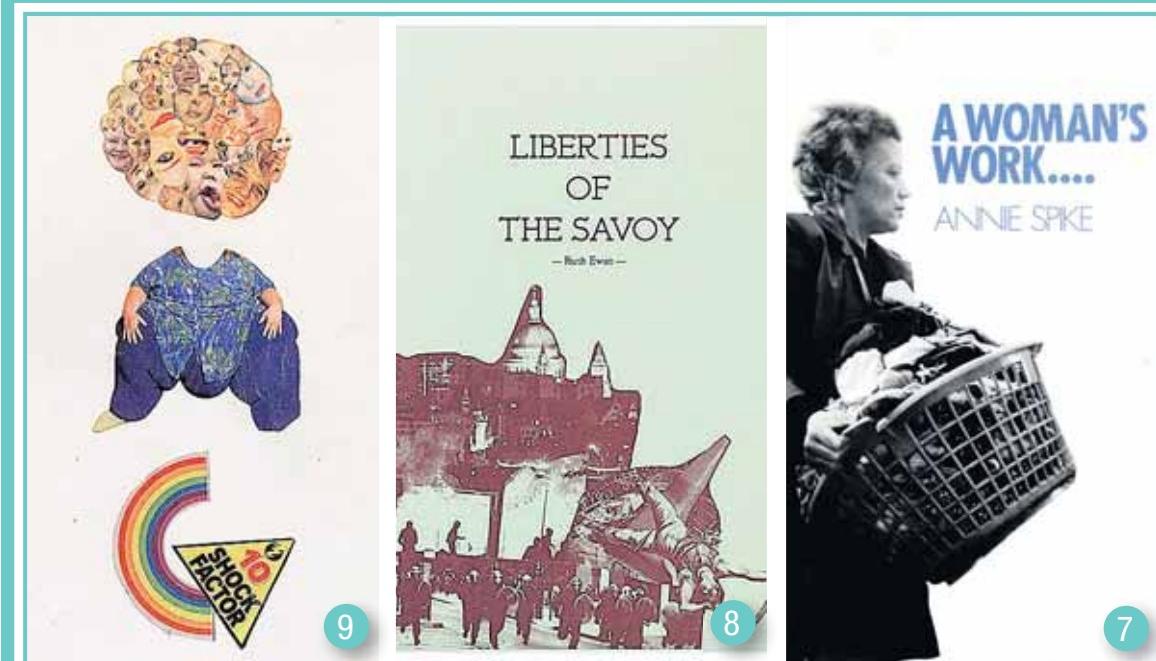
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1. Activating the Archive exhibition; 2. Arty issue no.24 'Entertainment' edited by Cathy Lomax, by Transition Editions, 2008; 3. 'Again, A Time Machine: from distribution to archive' edited by Gavin Everall and Jane Rolo, by Book Works, 2012; 4. 'Working Lives volume 1, 1905-45: a people's autobiography of Hackney', by Centerprise, 1976; 5. Hackney Against the Cuts no.2 1991; 6. 'The Artist Book' by Laure Provost, by Book Works, 2013; 7. 'A Woman's Work' by Anne Spoke, by Centerprise, 1978; 8. 'Liberties of the Savoy' by Ruth Ewan, by Book Works, 2012; 9. 'OMG' the pilot issue of Three Letter Words, edited and published by Publish And Be Damned, 2011

Publishing as an art form

HACKNEY Archives is currently hosting a fascinating exhibition celebrating independent publications created by artists and collectives based in the borough.

The display has been created in partnership with Banner Repeater, the artist-run reading room and gallery based on platform one at Hackney Downs train station.

'Activating The Archive: an exhibition of artists' publishing in the borough of Hackney' aims to raise the visibility of publishing as an art form. It acknowledges Hackney's printing heritage by

presenting contemporary artists' publishing work.

A call was put out between September and November last year asking local artists and artist-led groups to submit works for consideration.

Books, pamphlets, and other formats that focus on creative ideas around the form of the book, art and writing were received, which expand the idea of how publishing might be creatively approached.

Books made or conceived by artists as artworks in themselves have a long history. The works of poet William Blake in the 18th century are examples, as are those published

by William Morris from the Kelmscott Press; three copies of which are held in Hackney Archives.

There has long been a history of alternative



publishing in the borough too, with such titles as 'Hackney Against the Cuts', 'The Workers' Circle', and 'Hackney Peoples' Press', as well as the many publications produced over the years by Centerprise, all held by Hackney Archives.

Books are, of course, meant to be read, and those in this exhibition are no different. Visitors can handle the items to explore the ideas that the artists worked with in creating their very individual publications. Some items are unique, some are part of small

editions, all are connected in some way to living or working in Hackney.

The exhibition also aims to show how archive collections are always changing, constantly being added to with material from today, not just dusty old documents from centuries ago, although they are important too.

Some of the exhibits will be chosen for permanent preservation in the Local Studies Collection, as well as being added to Banner Repeater's own digital archive, so that in years to come future generations will be able to see how artists of today interpreted the idea of what

a book can be.

'Activating The Archive' is supported by the Arts Council England. The exhibition is on until 25 April. The Archives is closed for stocktaking until 3 March.

MORE INFO

Hackney Archives looks after Council administrative records and archives dating back to 1700. It also keeps records for individuals and organisations with links to Hackney. Call: 020 8356 8925; e-mail: archives@hackney.gov.uk; or visit: www.hackney.gov.uk/archives

A special recipe for Fairtrade Fortnight

www.fairtrade.org.uk/fortnight



THIS issue's recipe has been devised to mark Fairtrade Fortnight, which runs between 23 February and 8 March. To celebrate, we asked one of the newest members of the Hackney Fairtrade Steering Group, Tracey Primus (pictured on the left, with friend) from Victoria Park, to tell us her best Fairtrade recipe.

Fairtrade banana bread

Makes 12 portions

Preparation time
20 mins
Cooking time
1.5 hours

Ingredients

- 225 g (8oz) self-raising flour
- 100 g (4oz) butter
- 150 g (5oz) Fairtrade caster sugar
- 450 g (1lb) Fairtrade bananas
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 2 eggs
- 175 g (6oz) mixed dried fruit.

Method

- Pre-heat the oven to 180°C/350°F/Gas Mark 4
- Peel and mash the bananas, and then mix all the ingredients except the dried fruit together. Use a food processor, or do this by hand in a basin
- When it's all thoroughly mixed, add the dried fruit
- Spoon the mixture into a 1kg (2lb) non-stick loaf tin
- Spread it out evenly and bake for one-and-a-half hours.



Fairtrade is a commitment to a better deal for producers in developing countries and making sure they get a good price for a good product. The Hackney Fairtrade

Steering Group will have a stall in Broadway Market on 7 March where residents can taste Fairtrade products and talk to group members about the movement.

Photo: Lorna Paterson



Have your say on improving access on Marlborough Avenue

THE Council is asking residents to give their views on proposals to improve Marlborough Avenue for cyclists.

The road, between London Fields and Haggerston, is a location where cycle access is restricted due to gates at both ends.

As a way to open up the route, the Council is proposing to replace the existing access gates with heavy duty lockable bollards; remove the road humps and improve the carriageway; replace all concrete bollards at both entrances with new metal bollards; refresh double

yellow lines; install a 'motor vehicles prohibited' sign; and improve the landscaping and plant trees in the open space.

The proposals are part of the Council's Transport Strategy to help cyclists find quieter back streets, and encourage people to use sustainable modes of

transport, such as walking and cycling, as alternatives to private car use.

To view the proposals, or complete the survey, visit: consultation.hackney.gov.uk/streetscene/marlborough-avenue-cycle-permeability

The consultation closes on 2 March.



Have your say on improving Marlborough Avenue for cyclists

Meetings

COUNCIL MEETINGS IN FEBRUARY

23 Cabinet	6pm
24 King's Park ward forum	7pm
24 Licensing sub committee	7pm
25 Council	7pm
26 Licensing sub committee	2pm
26 Hackney Wick ward forum	5pm

COUNCIL MEETINGS IN MARCH

2 Woodberry Down ward forum	7pm
2 Stamford Hill West ward forum	7pm
2 Victoria ward forum	7pm

Info: 020 8356 3316/3302/3312; or visit: www.hackney.gov.uk/council-democracy.htm

TENANTS & RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION MEETINGS

IN FEBRUARY

24 The Fields Estate TRA	7pm
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IN MARCH

2 Blackstone Estate TRA	7pm
2 Joseph Court TRA	7pm
3 Sherry's Wharf TRA	7pm
9 High Hill Estate TRA	7pm
10 Frampton Park TRA	7pm

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Sudoku

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ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATIONS ACT 1984 SECTION 14(1) AND 16A: PROPOSED AND MADE NOTICES

ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 SECTION 14(1) AND 16A: NOTICES OF PROPOSED AND MADE ORDERS

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ANDY CUNNINGHAM, HEAD OF STREETSCENE, 23 FEBRUARY 2015

PROPOSED RESTRICTION (PROPOSED NOTICE)

REF NO.	ROAD NAME	RESTRICTION	REASON	LOCATION	DIVERSION ROUTE	WORK START DATE	WORK END DATE
P1718-8	Alconbury Road N16	Road Closure	Traffic Management Work	From its junction with Northwold Road in a south easterly direction for a distance of 15 metres	Via local signage	09-Mar-15	31-Oct-15
P1706	Belsham Street E9	Footway and Road Closures	Crane Operation	From its junction with Morning Lane in a south easterly direction for a distance of 80 metres	Via local signage	09-Mar-15	09-Mar-15
P1712	Crossway N16	Road Closure	Utilities Installation Works	Eastbound direction, From its junction with Stoke Newington Road (A10) in a south westerly direction for a distance of 50 metres	Via local signage	14-Mar-15	22-Mar-15
P1709	Firsby Road N16	Road Closure	Crane Operation	From its junction with Braydon Road to a point in line with the property boundary no 44 & 46	Via local signage	09-Mar-15	13-Mar-15
P1718-6	Geldestone Road	Road Closure	Traffic Management Work	North side, From its junction with Northwold Road in a north easterly direction for a distance of 15 metres	Via local signage	09-Mar-15	31-Oct-15
P1718-5	Geldestone Road E5	Road Closure	Traffic Management Work	South side, From its junction with Northwold Road in a south westerly direction for a distance of 15 metres	Via local signage	09-Mar-15	31-Oct-15
P1707	Hearn Street EC2A	Road Closure	Utilities Installation Works	From its junction with Curtain Road to its junction with Plough Yard	Via local signage	09-Mar-15	09-Sep-15
P1718-11	Kyverdale Road N16	Road Closure	Traffic Management Work	From its junction with Northwold Road in a north easterly direction for a distance of 15 metres	Via local signage	09-Mar-15	31-Oct-15
P1684-2	Marlborough Avenue E8	Road Closure	Road Resurface	From its junction with Regent's Row in a northly direction for a distance of 15 metres	Via local signage	16-Mar-15	31-Jul-15
P1718-10	Maury Road N16	Road Closure & Introduction of Two way	Traffic Management Work	From its junction with Northwold Road in a south easterly direction for a distance of 15 metres	Via local signage	09-Mar-15	31-Oct-15
P1719	Mintern Street N1	Road Closure	Traffic Management Work	From its junction with New North Road in a north easterly direction for a distance of 15 metres	Via local signage	16-Mar-15	16-Apr-15
P1718-4	Narford Road E5	Road Closure	Traffic Management Work	From its junction with Northwold Road in a south westerly direction for a distance of 15 metres	Via local signage	09-Mar-15	31-Oct-15
P1718-9	Norcott Road N16	Road Closure & Introduction of Two way	Traffic Management Work	From its junction with Northwold Road in a south easterly direction for a distance of 15 metres	Via local signage	09-Mar-15	31-Oct-15
P1718-1	Northwold Road N16	Road Closure	Traffic Management Work	From its junction with Upper Clapton Road to its junction with Stamford Hill (A10)	Via local signage	09-Mar-15	31-Oct-15
P1707-1	Plough Yard EC2A	Road Closure	Utilities Installation Works	From its junction with Hearn Street to its junction with Shoreditch High Street (A10)	Via local signage	09-Mar-15	09-Sep-15
P1720	Reading Lane E8	Footway Closure	Building Works	North west side, From a point in line with the under Railway Bridge to in a south westerly direction for a distance of 32 metres	Opposite side of Footway	09-Mar-15	09-Mar-16
P1684-1	Regents Row E8	Road Closure	Road Resurface	From its junction with Marlborough Avenue to its junction with Broadway Market	Via local signage	16-Mar-15	31-Jul-15
P1718-3	Reighton Road E5	Road Closure	Traffic Management Work	From its junction with Northwold Road in a south westerly direction for a distance of 15 metres	Via local signage	09-Mar-15	31-Oct-15
P1718-2	Rossendale Street E5	Road Closure & Introduction of Two way	Traffic Management Work	From its junction with Northwold Road in a north westerly direction for a distance of 15 metres	Via local signage	09-Mar-15	31-Oct-15
P1718-7	Rossington Street E5	Road Closure	Traffic Management Work	From its junction with Northwold Road in a north easterly direction for a distance of 15 metres	Via local signage	09-Mar-15	31-Oct-15
P1708	Shelford Place N16	Road Closure	UKPN Works	From its junction with Stoke Newington Church Street to along its entire length	Via local signage	21-Mar-15	22-Mar-15
P1717	Shore Place E9	Road Closure	Building Works	From its junction with Well Street in a south easterly direction for a distance of 25 metres	Via local signage	09-Mar-15	13-Mar-15
P1710	Taplow Street N1	Road Closure	Crane Operation	From its junction with Prestwood Street to its junction with Micawber Street	Via local signage	09-Mar-15	09-Mar-15
P1698	Waterson Street E2	Road Closure	Thames Water Works	From its junction with Kingsland Road (A10) to its junction with Union Walk	Via local signage	11-Mar-15	13-Mar-15

CONFIRMED RESTRICTION (MADE NOTICE)

P1699-1	Charlotte Road EC2A	Road Closure	Crane Operation	(1). From its junction with Rivington Street to its junction with Mills Court (2). From its junction with Rivington Street in a northly direction for a distance of 15 metres	Via local signage	28-Feb-15	01-Mar-15
P1701	Clifton Street EC2A	Road Closure	Building Works	From its junction with Worship Street to its junction with Dysart Street	Via local signage	02-Mar-15	02-Aug-16
P1682-2	Downs Road E5	Road Closure	Traffic Calming Work	From its junction with Powell Road in a north westerly direction for a distance of 20 metres	Via local signage	23-Feb-15	27-Feb-15
P1703-2	Dysart Street EC2A	Footway Closure	Building Works	From its junction with Clifton Street to its junction with Wilson Street	opposite side of Footway	02-Mar-15	01-Aug-16
P1688	Eleanor Road E8	Road Closure	Traffic Calming Work	From its junction with Richmond Road to its junction with Wilton Way	Via local signage	02-Mar-15	06-Mar-15

YOU CAN GET MORE INFORMATION AND MAKE COMMENTS ABOUT THIS PROPOSED AND MADE ORDERS BY CONTACTING THE HELPLINE ON 020 8356 2897

LONDON BOROUGH OF HACKNEY

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PROPOSED RESTRICTION (PROPOSED NOTICE)

REF NO.	ROAD NAME	RESTRICTION	REASON	LOCATION	DIVERSION ROUTE	WORK START DATE	WORK END DATE
P1705	Graham Road E8	Bus Lane Suspension	CCTV Cable Installation Work	From a point in line with the property boundary no 169 to a point in line with the property boundary no 199 & 201	Not Required	23-Feb-15	01-Mar-15
P1694	Green Lanes N4	Zebra Crossing Suspension	Gas Works	At its Junction with Greenway Close	Not Required	23-Feb-15	16-Mar-15
P1700	Mare Street E8	Footway Closure	Railway Bridge Parapet Repairs Works	Both Sides, From its junction with Amhurst Road in a southern direction for a distance of 16 metres	Opposite side of Footway	02-Mar-15	06-Mar-15
P1696-1	Monteagle Way E5	Footway Closure & Waiting Restriction	Building Works	From a point in line with the property boundary no 17 in a north easterly direction for a distance of 17 metres	Not required	23-Feb-15	22-Feb-16
P1704-2	Narford Road E5	Road Closure	Traffic Management Work	From its junction with Northwold Road in a south westerly direction for a distance of 15 metres	Via local signage	23-Feb-15	09-Mar-15
P1682-1	Powell Road E5	Road Closure	Traffic Calming Work	From its junction with Cricketfield Road in a north westerly easterly direction for a distance of 30 metres	Via local signage	23-Feb-15	27-Feb-15
P1696	Rendlesham Road E5	Waiting Restrictions	Building Works	(1). Between points 20 metres and 28 metres north east of from a point in line with the property boundary no 16/17 (2). Between points 42 metres and 48 metres north east of from a point in line with the property boundary no 16/17	Not required	23-Feb-15	22-Feb-16
P1699-2	Rivington Street EC2A	Road Closure	Crane Operation	(1). From its junction with Charlotte Road in a easterly direction for a distance of 10 metres (2). From its junction with Charlotte Road in a westerly direction for a distance of 10 metres	Via local signage	28-Feb-15	01-Mar-15
P1704-1	Rossendale Road E5	Road Closure & Introduction of Two way	Traffic Management Work	From its junction with Northwold Road in a north westerly direction for a distance of 15 metres	Via local signage	23-Feb-15	09-Mar-15
P1702	Spurstowe Road E8	Road Closure	Installation of New Footbridge	From its junction with Marcon Place to along its entire length	Via local signage	28-Feb-15	01-Jun-15
P1703-1	Wilson Street EC2A	Footway Closure	Building Works	South east side, From its junction with Dysart Street to its junction with Worship Street	opposite side of Footway	02-Mar-15	01-Aug-16

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TRAFFIC

LONDON BOROUGH OF HACKNEY

THE HACKNEY (WAITING, LOADING AND STOPPING RESTRICTIONS) (MAP BASED) (AMENDMENT No.20) ORDER 2015

THE HACKNEY (PARKING PLACES) (MAP BASED) (AMENDMENT No.17) ORDER 2015 TT1057

1. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the on the 20th February 2015, the Council of the London Borough of Hackney did make the above-mentioned Orders under the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 as amended.

2. The general effect of the Orders will be to introduce new carriageway cycle parking spaces in the following locations;

- a) Clifton Street outside 110 Stapleton House replacing existing double yellow lines and pay and display parking.
- b) Clifton Street outside 109 to 123 replacing existing pay and display parking bays. Replacement pay and display bays will be located at the western end of the remaining bays.
- c) Phipp Street outside 1 to 11 Cosmopolitan House replacing existing double yellow lines.
- d) Micwaber Street junction between Wharf Road & Thoresby Street: replacing existing double yellow lines.

3. Copies of the Orders, which will come into force on 2nd March 2015, other relevant Orders, and other documents giving more detailed particulars of the Orders, can be inspected during normal office hours on Mondays to Fridays inclusive, until the expiration of a period of six weeks from the date on which the Orders are made, in the reception area, London Borough of Hackney Keltan House 89 -115 Mare Street London, E8 4RU. Further information may be obtained by contacting Helpdesk on 020 8356 2897.

4. If any person wishes to question the validity of either of the Orders, or of any provision contained therein on the grounds that it not within the powers conferred by the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 or that any requirement of the Act or of any instrument under the Act has not been complied with, that person may, within six weeks of the date on which the Orders are made, apply for the purpose to the High Court.

TT1060

- NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the London Borough of Hackney, in accordance with the Section 90C of the Highway Act 1980 as amended proposes to introduce raised entry treatments, as detailed in the schedule 1 of this notice.
- Plans of the proposed measures can be inspected during normal office hours on Mondays to Fridays inclusive until a period of 21 days from the date, on which this notice is published, in the reception area, London Borough of Hackney, Keltan House, 89-115 Mare Street, London, E8 4RU. Further information may be obtained by contacting Helpdesk on 020 8356 2897.
- Any objections or other representations should be sent in writing to the Assistant Director (Public Realm) at the address specified in paragraph 2 above until the expiration of a period of 21 days from the date on which this Notice is published. All objections must specify the grounds on which they are made.

SCHEDULE 1

RAISED ENTRY TREATMENTS: SCHEDULE

Note: The carriageway will be raised to form a shared surface. The ramp gradients will be between 1:10 and 1:15.

Mintern Street	From the junction with New North Road Lane for a distance of approx. 8.4m
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LONDON BOROUGH OF HACKNEY

THE HACKNEY (WAITING, LOADING AND STOPPING RESTRICTIONS) (MAP BASED) (AMENDMENT NO. *) ORDER 201*

THE HACKNEY (PARKING PLACES) (MAP BASED) (AMENDMENT NO. *) ORDER 201* TT1071

- NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Council of the London Borough of Hackney proposes to make the above-mentioned Orders under the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 as amended
- The general effect of the Orders will be to;
 - a) Propose the implementation of no waiting at any time restrictions and estate parking bays as part of a planned review of parking and waiting in the roads within the following housing estates in Hackney.

Shrubland Estate	Mountford Estate
April Court Estate	Dinmont Court Estate

Lockner Estate	Trelawney Estate
Somerford Estate	Broadway Market Estate
Jack Dunning Estate	Frampton Park Estate
Mountford Estate	Webb Estate
Landfield Estate	Lordship North Estate

**Changes to disabled bays are intended to bring disabled parking places within the same conditions of use as existing disabled parking in areas outside estates. Disabled bays are to remain at locations where there is an expressed requirement.

3. Plans and schedules of the proposed measures can be inspected during normal office hours on Mondays to Fridays inclusive until a period of 21 days from the date on which this notice is published in the reception area, London Borough of Hackney, Keltan House, 89-115 Mare Street, London, E8 4RU. Further information may be obtained by contacting Helpdesk on 020 8356 2897.

4. Any objections or other representations about the proposed Order(s) should be sent in writing to the Assistant Director (Public Realm) at the address specified in paragraph 3 above until the expiration of a period of 21 days from the date on which this Notice is published. All objections must specify the grounds on which they are made.

LONDON BOROUGH OF HACKNEY

THE HACKNEY (WAITING, LOADING AND STOPPING RESTRICTIONS) (MAP BASED) (CONSOLIDATION) (AMENDMENT NO.**) ORDER 201*

THE HACKNEY (PARKING PLACES) (MAP BASED) (CONSOLIDATION) (AMENDMENT NO.**) ORDER 201* TT1066

- NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Council of the London Borough of Hackney proposes to make the above-mentioned Orders under the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 as amended
- The general effect of the Orders will be to;
 - a) Change the single yellow line outside 46 Charlotte Road to a double yellow line no waiting at any time.
 - b) Change the motorcycle bay opposite 17-19 Mehabetel Road to a shared use bay 4 hour maximum stay.
 - c) Remove the permit bay outside 16-20 Dereham Place and replace with double yellow lines.
 - d) Introduce shared use bays 4 hour maximum

stay and no waiting at any time restrictions on the newly developed Road off Woodberry Down.

e) Amend the restrictions on Woodberry Down in line with amended restrictions on street. Reducing the resident permit bay and extending the double yellow lines.

f) Amend the current traffic management order to represent restrictions in place on the following streets. Chatsworth Road, Homerton Road, Queensbridge Road, King Edward's Road, Roding Road, Chelmer Road, Rushmore Road, Glyn Road, Powerscroft Road, Churchill Walk, Fenn Street, Wardle Street and Clarissa Street.

g) Clissold Crescent – extend the shared use bay opposite Taverner House by 1 metre north replacing a section of waiting and loading restrictions.

h) Introduce disabled bays Outside No. 2A Trehurst Street, 55 Cazenove Road, 7 to 11 Dunn Street, 2 Stamford Grove East, 21 Marlborough Avenue, 10 Hillstone Street, 8 and 144 Daubeney Road. Opposite 136 Lea Bridge Road. Re-instate Disabled Parking Bay outside No. 37 Sharon Gardens.

i) Remove disabled bays at the following locations: Nos. 86 Alkham Road, 28 Belfast Road, 2A Bethune Road, 188 Brooke Road, 5 and 71 Casimir Road, 44 Chardmore Road, 70 Cleveleys Road, 27 Darenth Road, 122 Daubeney Road, 5 Durlston Road, 118A and 240 Evering Road, 22 Forbury Road, 23 Holmbury View, 29 and 63 Ickburgh Road, 249 Kyverdale Road, 15 Leweston Place, 23 and 38 Linthorpe Road, 33 Moundfield Road, 36 Narford Road, 9 Northdene Gardens, 35 Northfield Road, 108 Olinda Road, 48 Oswald Street, 26-48 Pedro Street, 25 and 47 Reighton Road, 29 Southwold Road, 18 Theydon Road, 46 Lingwood Road, 15 and 26 Thornby Road and 47/49 Warwick Grove. Opposite Millfields Community School - Hilssea Street, Outside Morris House and 15 Wrens Park - Warwick Grove, and Derby Court - Overbury Street. At the side of No. 18 Millfields Road on Alfearn Road.

3. Plans of the proposed measures can be inspected during normal office hours on Mondays to Fridays inclusive until a period of 21 days from the date, on which this notice is published, in the reception area, London Borough of Hackney, Keltan House, 89-115 Mare Street, London, E8 4RU. Further information may be obtained by contacting Helpdesk on 020 8356 2897.

4. Any objections or other representations about either of the Orders should be sent in writing to the Assistant Director (Public Realm) at the address specified in paragraph 3 above until the expiration of a period of 21 days from the date on which this Notice is published. All objections must specify the grounds on which they are made.

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ROAD HUMPS - HIGHWAYS ACT 1980 - SECTION 90C

THE HACKNEY (WAITING, LOADING AND STOPPING RESTRICTIONS) (MAP BASED) (CONSOLIDATION) (AMENDMENT NO.19) ORDER 2015

THE HACKNEY (PRESCRIBED ROUTES AND 20 MPH SPEED LIMIT) (AMENDMENT NO.1) ORDER 2015 TT1043

1. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on 20th February 2015 the Council of the London Borough of Hackney did make the above-mentioned Orders under the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 as amended. These Orders will come into effect on 2nd March 2015.

2. The general effect of the Orders will be to:
a) remove the no waiting at any time restriction on both sides of Evering Road either side of the junction with Maury Road to facilitate the introduction of a new Zebra Crossing
b) Formalise existing north bound contra flow cycle lane and provide signage along the one way section of Maury Road from Evering Road to Brooke Road.

3. Copies of the Orders, which will come into force on 2nd March 2015, other relevant Orders, and other documents giving more detailed particulars of the Orders, can be inspected during normal office hours on Mondays to Fridays inclusive, until the expiration of a period of six weeks from the date on which the Orders are made, in the reception area, London Borough of Hackney Keltan House 89 -115 Mare Street London, E8 4RU. Further information may be obtained by contacting Helpdesk on 020 8356 2897.

4. If any person wishes to question the validity of either of the Orders, or of any provision contained therein on the grounds that it not within the powers conferred by the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 or that any requirement of the Act or of any instrument under the Act has not been complied with, that person may, within six weeks of the date

LONDON BOROUGH OF HACKNEY

THE HACKNEY (PARKING PLACES) (CYCLE PARKING) (EXPERIMENTAL) ORDER 2015 TT1072

1. NOTICE is hereby given that on 20th February 2015, the London Borough of Hackney made an Experimental Traffic Order under the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 ("the Act") and all other enabling powers.

2. The effect of the Experimental Traffic Order, which comes into operation on 2nd March 2015, will
i. Convert 2.5m of parking bay opposite No.11 Allen Road into a cycle hangar space
ii. Convert 2.5m of parking bay in Ashenden Road

(to the side of No.94 Glyn Road) into a cycle hangar space
iii. Convert 2.5m of parking bay in Ayrsome Road (5.5m from the intersection with Oldfield Road) into a cycle hangar space
iv. Convert 2.5m of double yellow line outside texryte house in Balmes Road into a cycle hangar space
v. Convert 2.5m of parking bay in outside No.24 in Barretts Grove into a cycle hangar space
vi. Convert 2.5m of parking bay outside No.22/24 Beatty Road into a cycle hangar space
vii. Convert 2.5m of carriageway in Bergholt Crescent (to the side of No.68 Cranwich Road) into a cycle hangar space
viii. Convert 2.5m of parking bay outside No.113 Bouverie Road into a cycle hangar space
ix. Convert 2.5m of parking bay in Brighton Road (between No.100 & No.18 Nevill Road) into a cycle hangar space
x. Convert 2.5m of parking bay/double yellow line in Burma Road (to the side of No.40 Clissold Crescent) into a cycle hangar space
xi. Convert 2.5m of parking bay outside No.94/96 Cecilia Road into a cycle hangar space
xii. Convert 2.5m of double yellow line in Chelmer Road (to the side of No.77 Glyn Road) into a cycle hangar space
xiii. Convert 2.5m of parking bay outside No.5 Clapton Square into a cycle hangar space
xiv. Convert 2.5m of parking bay outside No.107 Clarence Road into a cycle hangar space.
xv. Convert 2.5m of parking bay/double yellow lines in Clissold Crescent (to the side of No.271 Stoke Newington Church Street) into a cycle hangar space
xvi. Convert 2.5m of parking bay outside No.12 Clonbrock Road into a cycle hangar space
xvii. Convert 2.5m of parking bay outside No.24 Darville Road into a cycle hangar space
xviii. Convert 2.5m of parking bay outside No.26 Digby Crescent into a cycle hangar space
xix. Convert 2.5m of carriageway in Durlston Road (to the side of No.52) into a cycle hangar space
xx. Convert 2.5m parking bay in Dynevor Road (to the side of No.1 Chesholm Road) into a cycle hangar space
xxi. Convert 2.5m parking bay outside No.121 Elderfield Road into a cycle hangar space
xxii. Convert 2.5m parking bay in Finsbury Park Road (to the side of No.17) into a cycle hangar space
xxiii. Convert 2.5m of single yellow line in Forburg Road (to the side of No.13 Upper Clapton Road) into a cycle

hangar space
xxiv. Convert 2.5m of double yellow line in Fremont Street (to the side of No.30 King Edward's Road) into a cycle hangar space
xxv. Convert 2.5m double yellow line opposite No.62/63 Gore Road into a cycle hangar space
xxvi. Convert 2.5m of parking bay outside No.12 Greenwood Road into a cycle hangar space
xxvii. Convert 2.5m of parking bay in Jenner Road (to the side of No.45 Brooke Road) into a cycle hangar space
xxviii. Convert 2.5m of parking bay in Laurel Street (to the side of No.439 Queensbridge Road) into a cycle hangar space
xxix. Convert 2.5m of single yellow line outside No.22 Lavers Road into a cycle hangar space
xxx. Convert 2.5m of parking bay in Mehetabel Road (to the side of No.10 Isabella Road) into a cycle hangar space
xxxi. Convert 2.5m of double yellow line in Milton Grove (to the side of No.77 Allen Road) into a cycle hangar space
xxxii. Convert 2.5m of parking bay in Nevill Road (to the side of No.61 Kynaston Road) into a cycle hangar space
xxxiii. Convert 2.5m of parking bay outside No.85 Palatine Road into a cycle hangar space
xxxiv. Convert 2.5m of parking bay outside No.4 Penpoll Road into a cycle hangar space
xxxv. Convert 2.5m of parking bay outside No.10 Perch Street into a cycle hangar space
xxxvi. Convert 2.5m of double yellow line outside No.147 Queens Drive into a cycle hangar space
xxxvii. Convert 2.5m of double yellow line outside No.55 Queens Drive into a cycle hangar space
xxxviii. Convert 2.5m of parking bay opposite No.35 Queensdown Road into a cycle hangar space
xxxix. Convert 2.5m of parking bay in Roding Road (to the side of No.13 Ashenden Road) into a cycle hangar space
xl. Convert 2.5m of parking bay in Rowhill Road (to the side of No.159 Lower Clapton Road) into a cycle hangar space
xli. Convert 2.5m of parking bay outside No.26/28 Sandringham Road into a cycle hangar space
xlii. Convert 2.5m of parking bay outside No.15 Sigdon Road into a cycle hangar
xliii. Convert 2.5m of carriageway outside Stamford Mansions in Stamford Grove East into a cycle hangar space
xlv. Convert 2.5m of parking bay outside No.27/29 Sydner Road into a cycle hangar space
xlv. Convert 2.5m of carriageway in Thistlewaite Road (across from No.188 Lower Clapton Road) into a cycle hangar space
xlii. Convert 2.5m of parking bay outside No.13 Trehurst Street into a cycle hangar space
xlii. Convert 2.5m of parking bay/double yellow line in Warneford Street (to the side of No.18 King Edward's Road) into a cycle hangar space
xliii. Convert 2.5m of parking bay in Wilberforce Road (to the side of No.70 Mountgrove Road) into a cycle hangar space
xlii. Convert 2.5m of parking bay in Wilberforce Road (to the side of No.31 Somerfield Road)

3. The reason for proceeding by way of an Experimental Traffic Order is to assess the effects of providing this new facility.
4. These changes will be introduced for a trial period before consideration is given to whether the provisions of the Experimental Traffic Order should be made permanent.
5. Plans of the proposed measures can be inspected during normal office hours on Mondays to Fridays inclusive until a period of 6 months from the date, on which this notice is published, in the reception area, London Borough of Hackney, Keltan House, 89-115 Mare Street, London, E8 4RU. Further information may be obtained by contacting Helpdesk on 020 8356 2897.
6. The experimental provisions can continue in force for a maximum of 18 months trial period before a permanent Order is considered. Within a period of 6 months from the coming into operation of the Experimental Traffic Order any person may object to the making of a permanent Order. Any objection should be in writing, giving the grounds on which it is made and be addressed to the Assistant Director (Public Realm) at the address given in paragraph 5 above. Any comments in support of the Experimental Traffic Order are also invited during this period.
7. Any person wishing to question the validity of the Experimental Traffic Order or any of its provisions on the grounds that it is not within the powers of the relevant enabling Act or that a requirement of any such enabling Act or of any relevant regulations made there under has not been complied with may, within six weeks from the date on which the Experimental Traffic Order was made, make application for this purpose to the High Court.

Unless otherwise stated all traffic notices are as follows: Dated this 23rd day of February 2015
Tom McCourt, Assistant Director (Public Realm)
(The officer appointed for this purpose)



PLANNING

LONDON BOROUGH OF HACKNEY NOTICE UNDER THE TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACTS AND RELATED ORDERS

EC2A

65-75 Scruton Street and 45 Curtain Road London EC2A 4PJ Minor material amendment to planning permission 2011/3593, dated 31/03/2012, for the following development: Demolition of existing building(s) and redevelopment of the site to provide part 4, part 5, part 6-storey building (plus roof terrace) for mixed use development, comprising 6707sqm of boutique hotel (Use Class C1), with ancillary conference centre, restaurant and cafe/bar; design studios (Use Class B1), parking (6 spaces), plant and associated works. Variation of condition 14 (operational management plan) including hours of opening between 0700 and 0300. Inclusion of a private members club and amendment to the development description to read as follows:

Demolition of existing building(s) and redevelopment of the site to provide part 4, part 5 storey (plus roof terrace) for mixed use development, comprising 6,707sqm of boutique hotel (use class C1); with ancillary conference centre, private members club, restaurant and cafe/bar; design studios (use class B1), parking, plant and associated works.

2014/3728 Major Development
The Griffin 93 Leonard Street London EC2A 4RD External and internal alterations comprising refurbishment of entrance door on Ravey Street elevation, amendments to plan form on upper floors, installation of noise attenuation to windows, re-routing of services to public house together with internal repairs and alterations at basement, ground, first and second floor level. 2015/0346 Listed Building

E2

37 - 41 Hackney Road London E2 7NX Construction of a four storey (including Mezzanine) over basement building adjoining the existing building to accommodate a total of 222 sq. m. B1 floor space. 2014/4136 Affects the Setting of a Conservation Area

112 Kingsland Road London E2 8DP Erection of double mansard roof extension to three storey rear elevation to provide a 1x1 bedroom flat 2015/0031 Affects the Setting of a Conservation Area

2 Kingsland Road London E2 8DA Installation of new aluminium shop front to east and south elevations at ground floor level. 2015/0207 Affects the Setting of a Conservation Area

The Hangar Unit 1 & Unit 2, Perseverance Works 38

Kingsland Road Hackney London E2 8DD Erection of a part-1, part-2 storey roof extension at first and second floor level to provide additional office (use class B1) floor space at the western end of the property and conversion of two mono-pitched roof to the southern end of the property to a flat roof 2015/0317 Affects the Setting of a Conservation Area

E5

Yard r/o 1-19 Lower Clapton Road London E5 0NS Retention of change of use from car park (Sui Generis) to car wash (Sui Generis) with opening hours 09.00 to 19.00 7-days a week including Bank Holidays. 2015/0235 Affects the Setting of a Conservation Area

Legrave Street, Off Chatsworth Road, London, E5 9QX Demolition of existing retail (A1) building and erection of part 3, part 4 storey buildings to provide 270sqm of flexible commercial (A1/A2/B1) space, 48 self-contained dwellings (8x1, 26x2, 14x3 bed), landscaped amenity space, cycle parking, plant and refuse storage 2014/4092 Major Development

E8

408 Mare Street, Hackney London E8 1HP Erection of new shopfront and new entrance door, 2015/0206 Affects the Setting of a Conservation Area

408 Mare Street Hackney London E8 1HP Erection of new shopfront and new door in association with 2015/0206 2015/0210 Affects Setting of a Listed Building

44 St. Mark's Rise London E8 2NL Erection of a single storey extension (creating second floor level) above the existing two storey building; erection of a first floor extension; erection of ground floor extension; erection of 3 new terraces/balconies at first floor facing west; part demolition and extension of existing residential building at first floor; demolition of existing industrial building; change of use from workshop (B2) to office (B1) at ground floor; overall associated redevelopment of site to provide 4 new residential apartments comprising of 1x1bed, 2x2bed and 1x3bed flats (proposed) and existing 1x1bed and 2x2 bed split over three levels (3 existing units so total of 7 residential units overall), and 1 new office unit at ground floor . 2014/3760 Affects the Setting of a Conservation Area

404 Kingsland Road London E8 4AA Erection of a retractable awning at ground floor level; erection of a rear





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parapet wall (H: 0.5m); erection of an acoustic screen (H: 0.7m) and installation of an extract duct and air conditioning plant at first floor level 2014/4167 Affects the Setting of a Conservation Area

501-505 Kingsland Road London E8 4AU Demolition of existing three storey Class B1 (a) office building and erection of four storey building to provide 9 residential units (Use Class C3) across ground and three upper floors (1 x 1 bedroom, 5 x 2 bedroom and 3 x 3 bedroom) and 123sqm of retail space (Use Class A1/A2) at ground floor level fronting Kingsland Road, along with associated works. 2014/4207 Affects the Setting of a Conservation Area

74 Lavender Grove Hackney London E8 3LS Erection of single storey studio outbuilding in the rear garden.

2015/0268 Affects Setting of a Listed Building

338 Acton Mews London E8 4EA Variation of condition 3 (House of opening) of planning permission 2014/1964 dated 01/09/2014 to vary the hours of use from 18:00 - 23:00 Tuesday-Thursday, 12:00 - 23:00 Friday-Saturday and 12:00 - 22:00 pm on Sundays to 10:00 am - 23:00 Monday to Thursday, 10:00 am -23:59 Thursday to Saturday and 10:00 am-23:00 pm on Sunday . 2015/0321 Major Development

80 Sandringham Road Hackney London E8 2LL Full planning permission sought for erection of a linked single storey side infill and single storey side to rear Extension to ground floor flat. 2015/0353 Affects the Setting of a Conservation Area

Travelodge 7 Amhurst Road Hackney London E8 1LL Installation of 3 floodlights and 29m of LED strip light. 2015/0412 Affects the Setting of a Conservation Area

E9

8 St Thomas Square, London E9 7PN Conversion of single dwelling house to provide 2 x self-contained residential units (1 x 2-bed and 1 x 3-bed). Associated works including insertion of front windows at basement level and creation of rear light well. 2015/0115 Affects the Setting of a Conservation Area

106A Lauriston Road London E9 7HA Erection of single storey rear extension at lower ground floor level. Associated works comprising external steps between ground floor and lower ground floor and between lower ground floor and garden levels. 2015/0355 Affects the Setting of a Conservation Area

N1

33-35 Hoxton Square and 13-21 Hoxton Street London N1 6NN Change of use from residential flat to B1 office at

third floor level. 2015/0060 Major Development

21 Hoxton Square London N1 6NT Erection of a balustrade at fourth floor level to facilitate expansion of outdoor amenity space 2015/0345 Affects the Setting of a Conservation Area

1 B Bentley Road Hackney London N1 4BY Erection of mansard roof extension to form 1x1 bed flat. 2015/0391 Affects the Setting of a Conservation Area

213 New North Road Hackney London N1 6SU Installation of one internally illuminated projecting sign affixed to the uplift of the canopy, the installation of two Fascia signs and seven directional signs comprising four free standing and three wall mounted signs. 2015/0471 Affects the Setting of a Conservation Area

N16

66C Osbaldeston Road London N16 7DR Erection of a three storey rear extension at ground, first and second floor levels. 2014/3714 Affects the Setting of a Conservation Area

17-21 Pitfield Street, Charles Square London N16HB Internal alterations to the ground floor restaurant 2014/3834 Affects Setting of a Listed Building

217 Stoke Newington High Street Hackney London N16 0LH Erection of a single storey rear extension at first floor level and relocation of an existing terrace at first floor level to the rear at second floor level with associated timber screening. 2015/0129 Affects the Setting of a Conservation Area

Basement floor 162-164 Stoke Newington High Street London N16 7JL Change of use of basement from retail (use class A1) to restaurant (use class A3), opening hours 0700 to 2200 Mon-Sat and 0900 to 2100 Sun and Bank Holidays, erection of rear external extract flue and retention of window in east elevation. 2015/0253 Affects the Setting of a Conservation Area

139 Evering Road Hackney London N16 7BU Erection of a rear dormer extension at roof level along with two conservation style roof lights to front and two to Rear 2015/0290 Affects Setting of a Listed Building

2 Forburg Road London N16 6HS Erection of a single storey rear extension at ground floor level, erection of new boundary wall (following demolition of existing boundary wall). 2015/0354 Affects the Setting of a Conservation Area

34 Forburg Road Hackney London N16 6HS Full planning permission sought for erection of a single storey side infill and side to rear extension at ground floor level. 2015/0410 Affects the Setting of a Conservation Area

Tawhid Boy's School, 21 Cazenove Road, Hackney, London, N16 6PA Erection of four-storey side extension

at lower ground, ground, first and second floor levels; enclosure of rear fire escape staircase by erection of four-storey rear extension at lower ground, ground, first and second floor levels 2014/4219 Affects the Setting of a Conservation Area

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John Allen Assistant Director Planning 23-02-15



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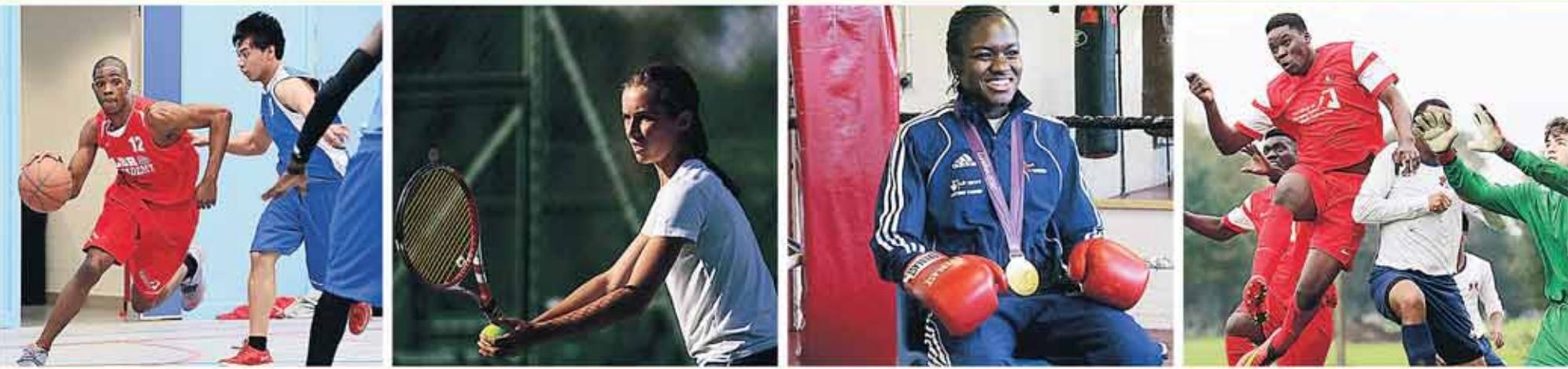
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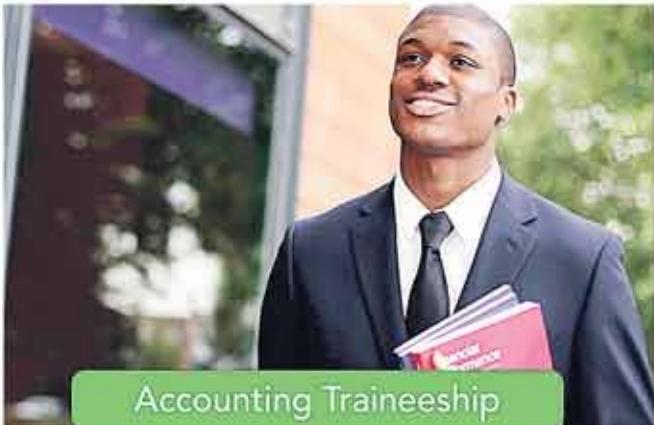
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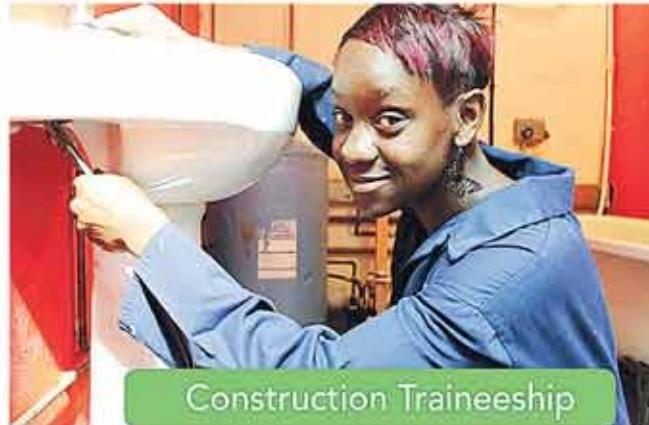
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